



# Celebrate Gold

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## Dress Forward: A Drive for Formal Wear

Katie Wasson has been a girl member for 12 years in Troop 14 in Service Unit 675. Katie recently graduated from Blue Valley West. She plans to attend the University of Missouri to study communications on the pre-law track.

Katie's project addressed the issue of economic barriers for formal wear for some high school students in her community. High school dances are a critical part of a high school student's social experiences, but not every student has the same access to the type of attire required for such events. To make formal wear more accessible, she partnered with the WCC Prom Boutique and the Church of the Resurrection Youth Group to collect formal wear for the WCC Prom Boutique.

Katie hosted two donation drives - one in the fall and one in the spring, and collected over 50 items of formal wear for the WCC Prom Boutique. She hopes that by making formal wear more accessible, teens in her community can feel confident, inspired, and excited for unique social opportunities.

**“Because of Girl Scouts, I have learned the importance of leadership and service to the community”**