

## Celebrate Gold



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## Do You Wanna Build a Library?

Kimberly Greene has been a Girl Scout for 11 years in Troop 592 in Service Unit 606. She is currently a senior at Oak Park High School and plans to pursue a degree in Pediatric Occupational Therapy after high school graduation.

After several local libraries in her area closed due to COVID, Kimberly identified a need for helping children with the transition from early childhood to kindergarten by learning to use the library. Working with her local church's preschool, Kimberly worked to improve the variety and availability of books for students by finding new books and processing donated books, building and installing new shelves, and even creating a new box with a return chute for children to get an authentic library experience.

To encourage children to continue checking out books, Kimberly created a log so students could track their reading progress. She also provided each student with a reusable book bag that can be reused from year to year. Kimberly's project will foster a love of reading and confident library users as they prepare to transition to kindergarten.

Because of Girl Scouts...I will take advantage of every opportunity to help others and use my talents.