



# Celebrate Gold



## Haylee Thompson

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### Caboose Revamp

Haylee has been a Girl Scout for 11 years in Troop 592 in Service Unit 606. She is a senior at Staley High School.

Haylee's Gold Award project renovated a beloved community space at Fox Hill Elementary School, the caboose – a train car used as a learning space for students. Haylee was inspired by her own experience as an elementary school student to clean up this unique space and ensure it remained a spot that students and teachers wanted to continue using. She cleaned up leaves and debris, added mulch and new plants, and worked with the Girls on the Run team to paint inspirational rocks with uplifting words on them to be made into stepping stones for the new garden.

Haylee worked with teachers at the school to encourage children to use kind and uplifting words by continuing the rock painting project for future students. She also offered resources for school custodians to keep the space welcoming for the community based on her improvements. Thanks to Haylee, the Fox Hill Elementary Caboose remains a treasured community asset!



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