



5 Minute Global Enrichment March 2026

Learning Opportunity for
Volunteers & Girls

Global Youth Service Day April 24- 26, 2026



What is a '5 Minute Global Enrichment'?

This is a short learning opportunity concentrating on global.

Each is unique, and will add a global aspect to your Girl Scout programming.

So be sure to share with other Girl Scout volunteers and girls.



Global Youth Service Day (GYSD) is celebrated annually on the 2nd or 3rd weekend of April. Started in 1988, GYSD is the largest service event in the world and the only one dedicated to the contributions that youth make all year long.

What is Global Youth Service Day?

Global Youth Service Day, a campaign of YSA (Youth Service America), an international leader in the youth service movement, mobilizes the millions of young people who improve their communities each day of the year through service. Global Youth Service Day is the largest service event in the world and is celebrated each year in over 100 countries. It is the only day of service dedicated to youth volunteers working together to address the world's most critical issues and change their communities.

Why do Girl Scouts celebrate Global Youth Service Day?

Girl Scouts make the world a better place every day by taking action on issues they care about and dedicating many hours of service to their communities. On Global Youth Service Day, we celebrate their achievements and recognize the contributions that youth make around the world.

What can Leaders and Volunteers do?

As Service Units and troops, celebrate Global Youth Service Day with recognition of girls, activities, and community action. Whether at a Service Unit event or in your own troop, talk to girls about Global Youth Service Day and what it means to Girl Scouts.

Some suggested activities to help girls explore Global Youth Service Day:

- All across our country and our world, Girl Scouts are leaping to the aid of others by engaging in wonderful acts of service and kindness. Whether by writing letters to senior citizens, honoring first responders, taking part in a citizen science project, or promoting voting and democracy. If you're still looking for a service project, check out the Girl Scouts National Service project opportunities at: www.girlscouts.org/en/activity-zone/national-service-projects.html
- Consider organizing a park or trail clean-up in your local area. Invite other troops and Girl Scouts to help during the weekend of Global Youth Service Day.
- Hold an awards ceremony for your troop and recognize all the hard work and service the girls have accomplished this year.

Resources

- [GSUSA Global Action Days Toolkit](#)
- [Youth Service America](#) - Apply by March 15 for Grants towards your service projects!
- [Girl Scouts National Service Projects](#)

Looking Ahead

April's 5 Minute Global Enrichment topic will be 'GSUSA's Community Advocacy - Global Action Award

Questions?

Have questions about the Global Youth Service Day? Or need additional resources? Reach out to the GSCO Girl Experience at girlsexperience@gscolorado.org and they can put you in touch with a member of GSCO's Global Action Team.