

girl scouts  
of california's  
central coast

'Tis the Season of Giving Back



## Save *the* Date:

### Winter Wonderland

Friday and Saturday  
Evenings in December 2023

*Camp Arnaz*

### Children's Health and Wellness Expo

Saturday, March 2, 2024

*Camp Arnaz*

### EmpowerHER

Celebrating Our Women of  
Distinction & Volunteers

4 - 8 p.m. | Saturday, April 6, 2024

*The White Barn, Edna Valley, SLO*

*Tickets go on sale in January*

# A Spotlight on: The Bauerle Family Gold Award Scholarship



Each year, Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast presents The Bauerle Family Gold Award Scholarship in order to support girls in their pursuit of higher education. These scholarships are given to top applicants who have demonstrated personal excellence in academics, community, and Girl Scout life.



## Maya Godard

I am honored to have received the Bauerle Family Gold Awards Scholarship, and send my greatest gratitude to the Bauerle Family and Girl Scouts of the California Central Coast for their support and recognition. These funds will go towards my education at Tufts University, where I plan to continue

in my community service efforts and engagement in music organizations over the next four years, using the valuable skills and lessons learned over the course of completing my Gold Award project.



## Carina Pitstick

This scholarship will immensely help me in college. I planned to work next quarter to help pay a portion of my tuition. Instead of allocating time to work I will be taking extra credits and spending more time focusing on my academics.



## Morgan Lipman

I am so grateful to have received these funds as they are aiding my journey at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo to become an entrepreneur in the biotechnology industry.



## Tierney (Tru) Uradnicek

This scholarship has provided not only generous financial support for my college journey, but also the amazing feeling that comes from knowing people believe in your passion and the potential of your field. Since I've completed my Gold Award last fall and graduated from high school, I've entered my

freshman year as a Sustainable Environmental Design major and Structural Engineering minor at UC Berkeley. I'm excited to continue expanding my skills and interests over the next four years with the help of this scholarship and the support of the people who provide it.



## Q Licht

I am so honored to receive this scholarship, and be recognized by the Bauerle Family and Board of Directors of the Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast. It will reduce the financial burden on my parents, and not worrying about finances will help me focus on my academics and being involved in the Davis community.



## Maya Yates

I'm a First Year Psychobiology major at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). I am also Pre-Medicine, and am hoping to attend a medical school. My Girl Scout Gold Award focused on

writing a book for cancer patients, which I raised over \$10,000 for to allow the book

to be free for all. The Bauerle Family Gold Award Scholarship I received will be going towards my education, helping me to obtain my bachelor degree, and ultimately become a physician.

## Bauerle Family Scholarship Match Challenge

The Bauerle Family will match every donation, up to \$7,500. With the additional GSCCC Board match, your \$1 donation will become \$3. Scan the QR code now or visit [girlscoutscoc.org](http://girlscoutscoc.org) for more info.



# Donor Highlights



We value the support of the **Pebble Beach Company Foundation**, who graciously provided a grant in support of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience - Workforce of Tomorrow programs in Monterey county. This initiative helps us inspire girls who will go forth and work to make the world a better place for everyone.

We extend our deepest gratitude to the **Samuellson Foundation** for their generous grant in support of STEM and Mental Health programs for Girl Scouts in Ventura County. This invaluable support has empowered us to enhance STEM and Mental Health programs, enabling these young girls to explore, learn, and grow in these crucial areas.



We extend our sincere thanks to the **Rotary Club Ojai West** for their generous grant is supporting the installation of eight showers for campers to use for years to come. We deeply appreciate their commitment to their community and ensuring the well-being of our Girl Scouts with the impactful support they provided.



## Girl Scouts Four Program Pillars:

**STEM, Life Skills, Outdoors, and Entrepreneurship** form the foundation of the Girl Scout program and work together to build girls' curiosity, kindness, and can-do spirit. To learn more about the Four Pillars and how GSCCC is championing them in our communities, scan the QR code or visit [www.girlscoutsccc.org/pillars](http://www.girlscoutsccc.org/pillars)



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# Highlighting our Gold Award Girl Scouts



We proudly honor these outstanding Girl Scouts who have completed their Gold Award from October 1, 2022 to September 31, 2023. These inspiring young women have showcased their leadership and commitment to community impact. We are thrilled to feature their photos in this newsletter, highlighting their incredible achievements. From environmental conservation to mental health advocacy, their Gold Award projects have left a lasting impact. Congratulations to these remarkable Girl Scouts on their extraordinary accomplishments!

## Clara Ainsworth

Troop #55541



### Trash Can Beautification

Myself and a team of high school volunteers painted over 60 of Lompoc High School's indoor trash cans with California native wildflowers, as well as a large outdoor trash can with a Chumash Brave. This project aimed to help teens over the summer who struggle with getting outside, forming friendships and expressing themselves.

## Caitlin Bayaca

Troop #10072

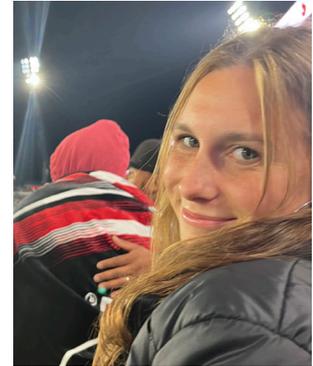


### Painting a Positive School Culture

I promoted social-emotional development among students through art projects. I led students in painting a mural of their school mascot, giving them opportunity to participate in a project that reflects positive school culture. I designed and painted a sensory path, and I taught students how to utilize the path for positive social interaction.

## Abigail Gaston

Troop #50886



### Heat Illness Warning Signs

After countless hours collaborating with Search and Rescue, local authorities, the Montecito Trails Foundation, and doing my own research, I created heat illness warning signs for all of our local trailheads. These signs, were complemented by a QR code linking to a website I developed on heat illness and safety.

## Amrita Kumar

Troop #60535



### Helping Special Needs Students

School is often a stressful environment due to loud noises, bright lights, and a lot of people, which can often lead to sensory overload. In order to relieve special education students at my high school from sensory overload, I created a sensory room to help provide relief to individuals in order to make school a safer environment for them.

## Sofia Villegas

Troop #60973



### Building Gardens and Knowledge

Building Gardens and Knowledge focused on educating elementary-aged students about the importance of gardening and how this knowledge can help set them up for success and food security in their future. With my project, I built and donated two garden boxes and made a gardening guide for their classrooms.

## Sarah Ziff

Troop #60991



### I Voted: Registering and Casting a Ballot

For my Gold Award I worked on educating high school students on how to register to vote and read a ballot. My project is about getting students actively participating in democracy by taking the first step and becoming informed.

## Help Girls Go for the Gold

We are seeking adult volunteers who can mentor our girls as they seek to GO FOR THE GOLD. Gold Award Mentors positively influence and provide direction for the young women as they tackle issues within their community and strive to improve the lives of others. A Mentor is... • A positive role model • Good listener • Caring person • Good communicator • Patient • Attentive • Committed • YOU!

For more information email Erin Mayo, Gold Award Committee Staff [emayo@girlscoutscoc.org](mailto:emayo@girlscoutscoc.org).



# Join the Movement: Be a Founding Member and Empower Girls Today!

**We invite you to be a part of this incredible initiative, "100 Women Who Care."**

Your contribution will truly make a difference in these young girls' lives, supporting leadership development, education, and empowerment programs. Our goal is to reach 100 members pledging

\$1,000 each by September 30, 2024, making you a founding member of this compassionate community dedicated to empowering girls and creating positive change.

Your support is invaluable, and together, we're shaping their lives and our community's future. Join us on this journey as one of the "100

Women Who Care." To donate or learn more, please visit: [girlscoutscoc.org/100womenwhocare](http://girlscoutscoc.org/100womenwhocare) Thank you for championing our Girl Scouts!



## 100 Women Who Care

The Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast recently hosted several delightful and inspiring gathering events for the 100 Women Who Care initiative. These gatherings not only satisfied the palate but also nourished the spirit of giving. Attendees were captivated by local Girl Scouts of California's Central Coast, who shared their experience in the Girl Scout program, which fostered an atmosphere of collaboration and camaraderie among guests.

The Girl Scouts emerged as the true highlight of each event. Attendees heard directly from several Girl Scouts themselves at the Ventura event, including Lola Forbes-Black, Dezi Chastain, Harley Smith, and Sarah O'Neill. Guests attending the Castroville gathering heard directly from Girl Scouts Catalina Saenz, Maddie Rosa, and Gwen Stewart.



These young voices shared poignant stories, illustrating how Girl Scouting has profoundly impacted their lives for the better. The personal narratives added a deeply moving layer to the events, emphasizing the tangible difference the organization makes. The heartfelt stories that were shared created a direct connection to the Girl Scout mission, inspiring attendees to consider the transformative power of their contributions to the 100 Women Who Care movement.

The call to action was simple but profound: pledge \$1,000 to join this movement and be a part of something greater than themselves. The 100 Women Who Care Donor events were more than just gatherings; they were an invitation to make a lasting difference in the lives of young girls.

**To date, we have welcomed 36 women (and one man) who have pledged to support the initiative, three of whom are investing for a second year! We hope you join the movement as well!**

**Girl Scouts builds girls of courage,  
confidence and character who make  
the world a better place.**



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