

Christian Service Project for the Gold Medal of Achievement



Introduction:

What is the difference between the GMA Christian Service Project and the Christian service activities required for the Bronze and Silver medals? The two service activities did not require you to be a leader of a major project, only a participant. It is now up to you to show initiative, determination, and follow through. In fact, your service project could help other Royal Rangers complete their Christian service activity hours. Read the information provided below to begin thinking and planning your Gold Medal of Achievement Christian Service Project. A Project Workbook is provided in your Adventure Rangers Workbook to help you organize, plan, and track the progress of your project.

Project Scope:

The Christian Service Project must be of benefit to your church, schools or community. The workbook will give you a step by step plan to follow and will include: Fact-finding to determine need, resources required and available, pictures before and after the project is completed, consultation with leaders and those benefiting from project, logging of project hours and individuals working on the project.

There are no time or size requirements recommended for the project. However, it must provide you with an opportunity to demonstrate and further develop your leadership skills. Your commander or outpost council member can assist you in determining an appropriate project. You may begin work on this project as soon as you have earned you Silver Medal.

Project Examples:

Your project does not have to be original. It could be something someone else has done before. It does, however, have to be initiated and planned by you! Listed below are some examples to help you begin thinking about what you might do. But don't let this list limit the possibilities. You know your church and community well enough to understand its needs, so go out and find a need and fulfill it.

- Organize and run a bike safety check and rodeo.
- Design and implement a plan to landscape the church.
- Consult with the pastor or church board to help design or paint the appropriate parking spaces for the handicapped.
- Plan, organize, and implement a plan to provide an after school tutoring or activity program.
- Build or repair playground equipment at a local park or school.

Project Limitation:

The project may not be a fundraiser or business venture. Fundraising is limited to obtaining materials and supplies for the project.

Brief Outline:

Before starting –

- ❑ Earn the Silver Medal
- ❑ Consult with your commander or outpost council member. Get an approval.
- ❑ Consult with the director of the benefiting group to get their approval.

Describe the project –

- ❑ Define the purpose of the project.
- ❑ Write a general description of the project.
- ❑ Include a project schedule.

Materials Required –

- ❑ Make a list of the materials needed.
- ❑ Determine the cost of the materials needed.
- ❑ Plan the fundraising if it is required.

Project Schedule –

- ❑ Make a list of the major tasks needed to complete the project.
- ❑ Make an estimate of the number of hours needed to complete the project.
- ❑ Estimate the number of workers needed; assign workers to tasks.

Project Review –

- ❑ Present the completed project's records, photographs, and workbook to your commander or outpost council member for final approval.
- ❑ Give examples of how you were the project leader.
- ❑ Explain or give examples of how you learned or developed new leadership skills.
- ❑ If adjustments had to be made to the original plan, explain why they were made.
- ❑ Describe the problems were encountered during the project, if any, and how they were solved?

Gold Medal of Achievement Service Project Workbook



Royal Ranger's Name

Address () City State Zip

Telephone # Email Address

Outpost Number District

Church Name

Address () City State Zip

Telephone #

Outpost Commander's Name

Address () City State Zip

Telephone # Email Address

Project Description

Describe your project:

Use additional sheets if necessary.

Who will benefit from your service project?

Name of church, school, community, or other group.

Address

City

State

Zip

My project will help this group because:

The above service project was discussed with and approved by my outpost commander on:

Date

The service project was discussed with and approved by the group's representative on:

Church, School, or Community Representative's Name

Date

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Church, School, or Community Representative's Title

Phone #

PROJECT PLAN

Provide the details of your work plan by describing the present situation. Include “before” pictures, if appropriate. Describe how the project will be completed, by listing the major tasks that will need to be carried out. List the materials and equipment that will be needed to complete the project. How many helpers will be needed and what will their assignments be? Are workers with specific talents or skills needed? Are there any safety issues that need to be considered for this project? Will training need to occur before the work starts? Include an estimated project schedule describing the time needed to complete the project and its various tasks. Attach additional sheets when necessary.

“Before” Photos

Service Project Plan Approval Signatures

Project plan reviewed and approved by:

Benefiting Church, School, or Community Date

Outpost Commander Date

Senior Commander Date

Section Commander Date

Important Note: Before continuing with your service project, you must have completed all the planning details and obtained all the approvals on the preceding pages.

COMPLETING THE PROJECT

Actual Materials Used To Complete The Project

Type of Material	Costs
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Time Spent by Royal Rangers, or by Others Working on the Project

Enough time should be spent on the project to demonstrate your ability to lead at least two people during the planning and completion of your service project.

Name	Date	Number of Hours
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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Time I Spent Working on the Project

Time Spent Planning the Project _____

Time Spent Completing the Project _____

Total Project Hours _____

Leadership Skills Learned

Explain or give examples of how you learned or developed new leadership skills during the project.

Changes to the Plan

List any adjustments that had to be made to your original plan, if any, and explain why they were made.

Problems Encountered

Describe any problems that were encountered during the project, if any, and explain how they were solved.

“After Photos”

Completed Project Approvals

Project Start Date _____ Project Completion Date _____

This service project was started and completed since I received the Silver Medal. I respectfully submit this project for your final review and approval.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Outpost Commander's Signature

Date

Church, School, or Community Representative's Signature

Date