5-Point Gold Award Checklist
(For all of the below refer to the *Guide for Going Gold*)

1) **My Gold Award project is a Take Action and not a Community Service project.**

    Yes ☐ No ☐

    Use the table below to help determine whether your project and goals are a community service or Take Action project.

    NOTE: *Community service projects are acts of kindness and ways to help something or someone right now. Take Action projects tackle the factors that cause or contribute to it. Take Action projects are designed to <u>change something for the better.</u>*

    Refer to pages 4 & 5

COMMUNITY SERVICE	TAKE ACTION
A short term effort that helps something or someone fulfill an immediate need	A long-term project with sustainable and ongoing impact that addresses a root cause of an issue
Done FOR the community	Done WITH the community

2) **Are you enlisting help from members in the group or organization your project is supporting?**

    Yes ☐ No ☐

    The group or organization you're working with should be part of your solution to your root cause.

    Refer to pages 6 & 7

3) **Are you promoting, educating and explaining the problems and solutions of your project to the people who will benefit from your project?**

    Yes ☐ No ☐

    Refer to pages 6 & 7

    Did you identify your issue's national or global link?

    Yes ☐ No ☐

    Refer to page 5

Can you measure the effectiveness of your project? Indicate what you'll conduct or create and approximately how many. Estimate number of attendees or participants:

Workshops _____ Assemblies _____ Lesson Plans _____

Community Event ____ Other _____

4) **Have you recruited a team, other than your family members and advisor, that will highlight your leadership skills? NOTE: It is recommended to form a team of at least 3 -5 members to help with your project.**

Yes ☐ No ☐

5) **If creating a website or video, are you sharing it with the benefiting organization or related groups?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

NOTE: Creating a YouTube video or website that is not linked to your organization or related groups is not a sustainable component. Your sustainable project is creating a solution AND to <u>ensure it's used</u>!

6) **Do you have all GSGLA attachments, including the letter on official letterhead from the organization or group you are working with?**

Yes ☐ No ☐

NOTE: If these items aren't included in your project proposal submission your interview will be delayed until they are submitted.

If you answered YES to questions 1 – 4, 6 and possibly 5, you are ready to be interviewed!

If you answered NO to any of the questions, please review your workbook again or think of other ways you can make your project meet the requirements on this checklist.