



YES, WE ARE: TROOP ACTIVITY

The purpose of the YES, WE ARE activity is to introduce the girls to GSGLA's new YES, I AM campaign and energize our troops to contribute their unique voices. The YES, I AM campaign is a celebration of the lifelong journey, the dynamic spirit, and the rich cultural diversity of Los Angeles and our remarkable Girl Scouts! To be a Girl Scout of Greater Los Angeles is to awaken your curiosity, creativity, and courage. It's about being part of something bigger than yourself.

And it's about what it really means to be a G-I-R-L. YES, I AM is a message to our Girl Scouts: We believe in your boundless potential. And it is a message to all of Los Angeles – and to the world – that girls possess the power, the skills, and the go-getter-ness, to make the world a better place.

For the campaign, we want to hear directly from each of our Girl Scouts and troops. Your answers will help us design the campaign -- this is your chance to share your voice!

Activity Instructions:

For International Day of the Girl, Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles (GSGLA) wants you to tell us your GIRL story!

This is a great activity to inspire your girls about how they can make and are making a positive impact on their communities now and in the future. Using the G.I.R.L. theme, girls will **discover** their greatest characteristics, **connect** their talent and ambition to making the world better, and have a fun, creative way to **take action** in promoting Girl Scouts and telling the world just who they are!

We want you to submit your GIRL story, but first, complete the steps below and then provided your responses and any attached material via our online form (step 8).

Materials: Paper to record troop ideas and responses, computer/phone with internet access or copy of the GIRL quiz

Roles: You'll need a "recording secretary" to take down the notes of each response

Directions:

1. Discover your troop GIRL identity:

Have each troop member take the GIRL Quiz to find out their GIRL Identity. Be sure to hold on to the individual results. You can find the GIRL Quiz online at <https://www.girlscouts.org/en/for-girls/girl-quiz.html> or you can download a copy of the quiz from our website here: <https://www.girlscoutsla.org/en/about-girl-scouts/LLAGS.html>.

Decide which identity your troop is as a whole. For example, you can have girls present and vote or simply take the majority percentage.

2. Discover your troop motivation:

Have each troop member write down 2-3 simple reasons why the troop resonates with that agreed upon identity. For example, “We are risk-takers because we are fearless” or “We are leaders because we take charge.” Make note or write these down.

3. Discover your troop personality:

Discuss what word(s), titles, or activities best describe the personality and character of your troop (eg. Yes, We Are...Vibrant, Adventure-Seekers, Good Neighbors, Community-Savers, Brave, etc.).

4. Discover your troop pride:

Discuss your troop’s greatest accomplishments (eg. Yes, We Are... Environmental Champions – we planted trees, Yes, We Are... Donors – we gave cookie proceeds to support Meals on Wheels, Yes, We Are proud – we earned the Silver Award, etc.)

5. Discover your troop talent(s):

Discuss your troop’s favorite activities (eg. Yes, We Are... Travelers, Adventurists, Artists, Dancers, Cookiepreneurs, Tinkerers

6. Discover your troop mission:

Discuss what your troop is committed to (eg. Yes, We Are... making the world better, standing up for girls everywhere, defining the true meaning of girl power, showcasing pride in our culture, building up our community, changing the way people think about girls and Girl Scouts, etc.)

7. Connect with us:

Guide the troop in coming up with creative ways to tell the world about their troop identity and the reason(s) why. Responses can be submitted as a video or as a written submission. It can simply be your girls speaking out or a dance, a cheer, a song, or any other shareable way to highlight your troop. Your submission can include images, whether photos included in the video or attached to your submission. At minimum, we just want to hear from you about your troop GIRL identity and the unique characteristic that supports it.

8. Take Action, send in your submission!

Submissions should upload via the [online form here](#) by **Dec. 7, 2018**. Encourage your troop members to submit their own personal stories on the [YES, I AM activity here](#).

Additional documents, photos, video, or audio:

- Documents should be in Word or a PDF
- Photos should be no more than 1GB in size (in group total)
- Video or audio submissions:
 - Should not be more than 30 seconds in length and more than 1 GB in size
 - Should be shot horizontally (landscape)(video)

- Should be recorded in a quiet setting, with each speaker talking loud and clear
- Should be in a WMV, MP3, AVI, or MOV file named with your troop number (ex. Troop6705.wmv)