Mecklenburg County Park & Recreation Department will support high-level Scout achievement projects as much as possible, according to staff availability and feasibility of project plans. Scout projects should always address a true need within the Department; and should provide a lasting benefit to the community and/or the environment and the Scout, as well as Park & Recreation.

Scout projects are not limited to physical construction; but may also consist of event planning and management; information displays (permanent or at events); program planning and/or assistance; data collection and presentation; or any other significant project that is beneficial to the Department and makes a difference in the community.

NOTE: The following projects or project types will not be accepted, due to Park & Recreation regulations, rules or standards, maintenance priorities, or overabundance (July 2022):
- Benches (unless specifically requested by Park & Recreation staff)
- Bat boxes, Butterfly houses, Bird houses, Mason bee boxes
- Little Free Libraries (unless specifically requested by Park & Recreation staff)

Girl Scout Projects
The Mecklenburg County Park & Recreation Department offers projects for Girl Scouts interested in achieving their Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award. Projects are identified by staff in order to provide an opportunity that will make the biggest impact in our Parks, Nature Preserves, Greenways or Centers. You must meet the following requirements to complete a project with our department:

- Be able to serve as the lead role and effectively communicate with Park & Recreation staff (Adult/Parental assistance is allowed for younger Scouts, in Elementary or Middle School grades)
- Have a minimum of six months to complete your project
- Secure all funding to cover costs for all project materials and supplies
- **Complete the appropriate project plan** and present to the Park & Recreation contact for review and approval – Girl Scout awards are completed according to the Scout’s grade level:
  - Gold Award Guidelines – 9th through 12th grade or equivalent (Senior or Ambassador)
  - Silver Award Guidelines – 6th through 8th grade or equivalent (Cadette)
  - Bronze Award Guidelines – 4th or 5th grade or equivalent (Junior)

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Eagle Scout Projects
The Mecklenburg County Park & Recreation Department offers projects for Boy Scouts interested in achieving Eagle Scout rank. Projects are identified by staff in order to provide an opportunity that will make the biggest impact in our Parks, Nature Preserves, Greenways or Centers. You must meet the following requirements to complete a project with our department:

- Boy Scout must be a Life Scout and actively involved in his troop
- Be able to serve as the lead role and effectively communicate with Park & Recreation staff
- Have a minimum of six months before your 18th birthday
- Secure all funding to cover costs for all project materials and supplies
- **Complete the Eagle Scout Project Workbook** and present this to the Park & Recreation contact for review and approval (signature required). The plan must be approved by Park & Recreation staff and the Scout Council.
  - Eagle Scout Workbook download 2.5.2021

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