

# Highest Award Financing Fact Sheet

Financing your Highest Award project is separate and different from earning your Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award. Therefore, hours worked on earning money for your Highest Award project does not count toward your total suggested minimum hours for your Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award project.

## Here are some tips for financing your Highest Award project:

- **Grants**
  - Apply for Take Action Mini Grant from the Jack and Dorothy Byrne Foundation available through GSGWM
    - Must have some additional funding/donations
  
- **Gift-in-Kind**
  - Gift-in-Kind donations are items for your project
  - Girls can describe the project/adults must ask for the donation
  - Girl Scout policies do not allow girls to ask for donations
  
- **Money Donations**
  - If someone offers you money for your project, without you asking, you may accept it
  - Girl Scouts may not ask for money (no donation jars)
  - Girl Scouts may not raise money for other organizations
  
- **Money Earning Projects**
  - Provide a good or service (of your own) to someone for money
    - Bake sales, car washes, badge blasts, etc.
  - May not sell or promote non-Girl Scout products or businesses
  - Submit a Highest Award Money Earning Permission Form to GSGWM at least two weeks prior to event

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