

PATCH ORDER FORM

To order patches upon program completion, complete the following form:

Date _____ Troop/Group# _____ SU# _____

Troop/Group Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone # _____ Evening Phone # _____

E-mail address _____

_____ I would like to pick up the patches from the Council office.

OR

_____ I have enclosed \$1.00 in postage to have the patches mailed.

_____ Number of patches earned x \$2.50 = \$ _____

\$1.00 for mailing \$ _____

TOTAL enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to: **Girl Scout Council of Southeast Louisiana**

Mail payment and patch information to:

**Girl Scout Council of Southeast Louisiana
ATTN: Program Department
P.O. Box 10800
New Orleans, LA 70181**

GIRLS AGAINST GIRLS SMOKING

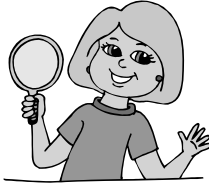
Patch Program for Junior and Cadette Girl Scouts



Peer pressure is a powerful force, and today's youth often begin smoking as a way to fit in with the "in" crowd. To combat that pressure and to teach other girls about the hazards of tobacco use, a group of Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts in southeast Louisiana created its own Girl Scout tobacco prevention program called "GAGS".

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RESEARCH



Complete tasks #1-3 (a or b) before moving on to the MOVE INTO ACTION section of the Patch Program. Completion of the RESEARCH section #2 and ACTION section #3 fulfills (J) *High on Life* #7. Completion of the RESEARCH section and #1 and #3 of the ACTION section fulfills (C) *Women's Health Service Projects* #2.

1. Where do you see tobacco products? Describe 5 locations for each of the following: displayed (5), promoted (5), heavily used (5).
2. Collect at least 8 ads, cartoons, etc. that promote tobacco use. Decide what each message is saying and whether it is true or false.
3. a. Invite a local health care professional to visit your troop and talk about the effects of tobacco use, especially in your community.

Or

- b. Contact the Cancer Association of Greater New Orleans (CAGNO) and request the Tobacco Prevention program, a presentation that targets tobacco use in children from kindergarten to college. Call (504) 733-5539 OR (800) 624-2039.



REMEMBER ALWAYS ASK PERMISSION BEFORE YOU DO ANYTHING IN YOUR SCHOOL OR CHURCH!

MOVE INTO ACTION

Now it is time to use everything you have learned from your research to put your own plan in to ACTION! Not only can you educate others about the tobacco industry, but you can also make a difference in your community. Complete **TWO** of the following activities. Any ACTION activity fulfills (J) *Model Citizen* #9.



1. **SKITS** – Write a play to tell your message to others. Use props and costumes to help tell the story or you might want to use puppets. Perform your play for parents, church members, another troop, or school members. *Fulfills (J) High on Life* #8, (J) *A Healthier You* #5, and (J) *It's Important to Me* #2.
2. **SUPPORT TOBACCO FREE BUSINESSES** – Find stores, restaurants, or other businesses in your area that are tobacco free. Make a list of the businesses and share the information with others to encourage support of the tobacco free policies by encouraging business with them. *Fulfills (J) It's Important to Me* #10.
3. **CREATE A DISPLAY** – Create a display against tobacco and its industry. After asking permission, put it on display by your meeting area or at school. Think about information that should be included, how to catch the eye of your audience, and what will be the easiest to understand.
4. **BUTTS** – Find a way to reduce the number of cigarette butts littering your community. You could place decorated “Butt Cans” around your meeting area to encourage responsible disposal of butts that say, “If you must smoke, please deposit butts responsibly.” *Fulfills (J) My Community* #3.
5. **LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN** – Use your writing skills to get something done about the tobacco industry. You could write to tobacco companies, legislators, businesses that sell tobacco, or anyone else involved in the industry. Remember, more people writing letters means a bigger message, so write as many letters as possible. *Fulfills (J) Consumer Power* #10.
6. **SMOKING AREAS** – Is there a smoking area that offends you or others? Speak to the person responsible for the building about the location of the smoking area and the reasons for the location. Suggest alternatives.

