

# Volunteer Toolkit Tips

## 2022 New Badges and Journeys

The Girl Scout Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) is a great tool to access the newest Girl Scout Program content. In August, GSUSA will roll out several new Badge and Journey tracks for your girls to choose from. Some of the new badge and Journey requirements are only accessible through the VTK. This short tip sheet will give an overview of the newest content available, for complete VTK instructions view the [VTK Troop Leader Guide](#).

1. What are Journey Tracks?

2. What are the New Badges/Patches?

3. What are the New Awards?

4. How to Access New Content?



GSUSA is continually developing new program and updating the VTK. We encourage you to not print this resource but rather access it digitally. We will keep it up-to-date with material changes as needed.

### 2022-2023 What's New?

#### Entrepreneurship

- New Financial Literacy badges for each program level

#### STEM

- STEM Career Exploration badges for Daisies, Senior, & Ambassadors

#### Updated Badge Content

- Daisy Petals and Brownie Pets badge

#### Patches (New to VTK)

- Paint Your World Purple, Girl Scout Tree Promise

#### Awards






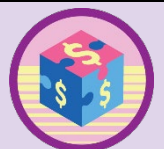

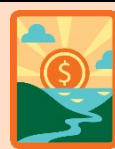








- 2023 World Thinking Day - Our World, Our Peaceful Future
- 2023 Global Action Award - Responsible Consumption & Production

1. What are Journey Tracks?

Each Journey track is pre-populated with up to 15 meetings (6 for Multi-Level). A Journey is not complete until girls have completed the requirements for both the Journey and a Take Action Project. Each Journey track comes pre-populated with supplemental badges that complement the Journey. If girls have already earned or are not interested in one or more of the supplemental badges, they can be replaced with other available badges. Refer to the [How to Choose and Customize Your Year Plan Tip Sheet](#) to learn how.

## 2. What are the New Badges/Patches?

Starting this Spring, more than just badges and Journeys are available in the Volunteer Toolkit. Patch Programs such as Paint Your World Purple are now available. In August, several new badges will be added to the VTK. Check out GSNorCal's [Badge Charts](#) and GSUSA's [Badge Explorer](#) to learn more about the badges that are available and to help your girls choose the badges they would like to work on.

Daisy	Brownie	Junior	Cadette	Senior	Ambassador
<b>Entrepreneurship – New Financial Literacy</b>					
Money Explorer	Budget Builder	Budget Maker	Budget Manager	Savvy Saver	Financial Planner
					
My Money Choices	My Own Budget	My Money Plan	My Money Habits	My Financial Power	My Financial Independence
					
<p><b>**NOTE:</b> New badges and Journeys are often added to the VTK. Check the VTK to view all that is available.</p> <p>Check out the <a href="#">Badge Explorer</a> to preview the requirements for all badges and Journeys.</p>			My Dream Budget	<p>*New Financial Literacy Badges will replace previous Financial Literacy badges and petals.</p>	
					
<b>STEM</b>					
<b>Career Exploration</b>					
	<p>*These three badges complete the STEM Career Exploration badge series</p>				
<b>Updated Badge Content</b>					
Daisy Petals	Pets	<p>*New updated content in handbook/badge booklet and the VTK. Petal and badge designs are not changing.</p>			
					
<b>Patches/Challenges – available at all program levels</b>					
Paint Your World Purple			Girl Scout Tree Promise		
					

### 3. What are the New Awards?



#### 2023 Global Action Award: Responsible Consumption and Production

The Girl Scout Global Action Award calls for girls to address the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals by discovering, connecting, and taking action in their communities and the world. This year's award goal focuses on Goal 12: Responsible Consumption as they think about the waste we create, how it impacts us and our planet, and promote responsible production and consumption in their communities and beyond. **Two sets of content:** one for younger Girl Scouts (Daisy, Brownie, Juniors) and one for older Girl Scouts (Cadette, Senior, Ambassador). The Global Action award is an official national award, so Girl Scouts can wear it on their vest or sash.

#### 2023 World Thinking Day Award

Every year, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides around the world celebrate February 22 as a day of international friendship called World Thinking Day. The 2023 theme for World Thinking Day is **"Our World, Our Peaceful Future."** To earn this award, girls will explore the theme's meaning and plan and carry out a Take Action project that makes a difference. There are two sets of content: one for younger Girl Scouts (Daisy, Brownie, Juniors) and one for older Girl Scouts (Cadette, Senior, Ambassador).



### 4. How to Access New Content?

#### LOG IN TO VTK

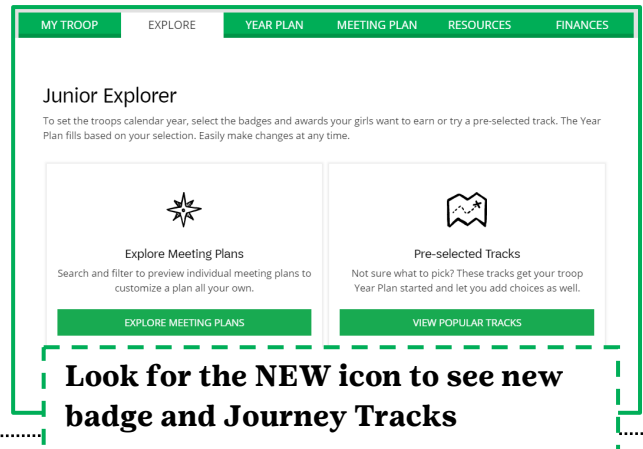
1. From [www.gsnorcal.org](http://www.gsnorcal.org), click the "MyGS" link at the top.
2. Log in using the username and password you created when you set up your Girl Scout member account.
3. Once logged in, click "My Account" in the upper right-hand corner of your screen.
4. Select "Volunteer Toolkit" from left side menu.

The screenshots illustrate the steps to access the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK). Step 1 shows the top navigation bar with the 'MyGS' link highlighted. Step 2 shows the 'Log In!' form with fields for email address and password. Step 3 shows the 'My Account' menu in the top right corner. Step 4 shows the 'Volunteer Toolkit' option highlighted in the left-hand navigation menu.

Need help? Contact member services: [info@gsnorcal.org](mailto:info@gsnorcal.org).

## CHOOSE A TRACK

- Select a track from the “EXPLORE” tab.
- You can choose Pre-selected Tracks by clicking “VIEW POPULAR TRACKS.”
- Or you can choose to “EXPLORE MEETING PLANS.” Here you can search and preview all badges and Journeys before adding them to your custom year plan.
- See the [Customizing Your Year Plan Tip Sheet](#) for more information.



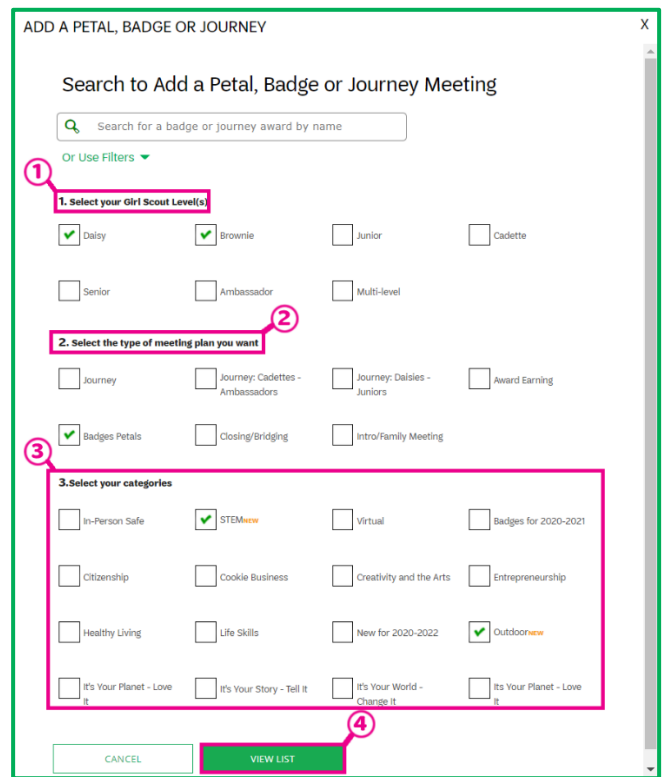
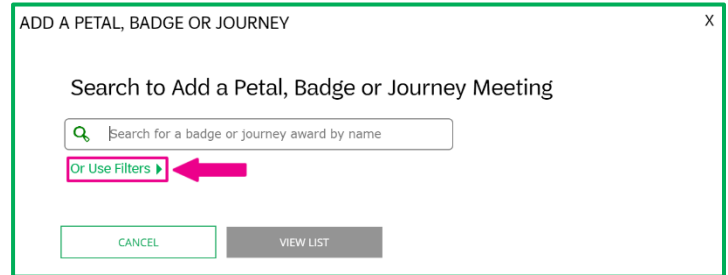
## ADD/REPLACE CONTENT

To access the new badges, Journeys, and awards, you will first need to make sure you have a track selected. Then, go to the “YEAR PLAN” tab, and select “ADD BADGE/JOURNEY.”

Use the search box to search for a specific badge, Journey or award OR click “Use Filters” to choose your program level(s) from the Meeting Library.

1. Choose the program level or levels
2. Select Badges/Petals, Award Earning, Journey, Challenge, or Patch as the type of meeting.
3. Choose your categories – Look for **NEW**
4. Click on “VIEW LIST.”
5. Preview badge requirements by clicking on the badge image and/or if in the “EXPLORE” tab, click the “PREVIEW” button to see a meeting overview.

**TIP:** You can select multiple meetings. Be sure to add all meetings for a badge/Journey/Award (ex. Add Bugs 1, 2, and 3) to meet the badge requirements. Note: For Journey options, you must select ALL badge meetings required for the Journey and ALL 3 Take Action meetings.



## PURCHASE PRINTED or DIGITAL COPIES

There are two options.

1. You can purchase a printed booklets of badge requirements at some of our local GSNorCal stores or through our [online stores](#).
  - Prices range from \$2.50 and \$5.00
2. You can purchase a digital copy of the badge requirements through our [online store](#) and download it after purchase.
  - Prices range from \$0.99 and \$1.99

