

Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project –Guidelines and Examples

North Florida Council #087

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To the Life Scout:

1. You have a great opportunity in front of you, and the principles you learn will help you understand how to develop a vision and lead a team.
2. The Leadership Service project is yours; it is up to you to plan, explain and document every step of the way. Your Scoutmaster, Troop Committee Chair or parents may give you advice on how to handle the process, but your project will be judged based on what you do.
3. Make sure that you read and complete every page of the project planning workbook, from page 2 to page 13. There are no steps that can be omitted.
4. Make sure that you have the approval of your District Advancement Chair before you begin any fundraising or any work. If the project is not approved, you will have to start over. Your Scoutmaster and Troop Committee Chair will look at your project plan before it is presented at the District Level and their approval is a critical part of the process

The project must show your leadership in planning and performing a beneficial service for a church, school, charitable non-profit organization or community.

The leadership project must have a set of 10 process elements that you can clearly show and explain:

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| 1. Project idea generation | 6. Project materials list |
| 2. Project rough draft | 7. Project budget |
| 3. Approval by the benefiting group | 8. Project safety concerns |
| 4. Project final plan | 9. List of benefits that will be created |
| 5. Before and After documentation | 10. Adjustments to the plan as the work is done |

Examples of projects in which you can show leadership include:

1. Building a gazebo, benches or a prayer garden for a non-profit institution.
2. Rehabbing (sheetrock, paint, carpet, etc) a meeting room in a church.
3. Demolition of an unused or decaying structure, and disposal of all materials.
4. Creating a plan for gathering books, cleaning and cataloguing them, then leading a team of people who help a non-profit entity distribute the books in the community.
5. Conversion of an outdoor space into a playground that benefits children in a community.
6. Setting up a community study center, providing desks, lighting and other essential items.
7. Developing a plan and leading a group who perform a service that is needed by a non-profit entity, but is beyond reach of their normal staffing or financial resources.
8. Creating an opportunity for physically-challenged youth to participate in and enjoy the outdoor world: gardening, observing nature or helping with conservation.
9. Other significant, lasting projects that fill a real need for the school, community, church or charity, and in which you can demonstrate that you handled all 10 of the elements listed above.

The project cannot be:

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| 1. Routine maintenance or labor. | 6. Shared with another Scout. |
| 2. Done for the benefit of an individual. | 7. Done as a pure fundraiser for any cause. |
| 3. Done to benefit a business. | 8. Done to raise funds for Scouting. |
| 4. Done to improve a Boy Scout facility. | 9. Done on your own, without leading a team. |
| 5. Started before you have District approval | 10. Planned or led by any adult |