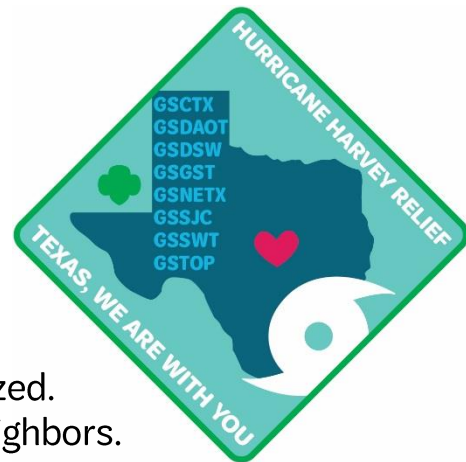


Texas Girl Scout Hurricane Relief Patch

This patch program is designed to encourage girls to participate in the relief efforts for those impacted by Hurricane Harvey. Additionally, the patch will increase awareness and understanding of natural disasters and how to be prepared.



To earn this free patch*, complete the following:

1. Learn how hurricanes form and how they are categorized. Share the information with your Girl Scout troop or neighbors.
2. Learn about the [CERT Youth Preparedness Program](#). Share the information with your Girl Scout troop, school, or neighbors.
3. Disasters can occur on a variety of scales: local, regional, state, and national. Find out when and how the response efforts differ. When and how does FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) get involved? Share your new knowledge with others in your community.
4. Create a plan for your family or Girl Scout troop to be prepared for potential local disasters. Make a disaster kit for your home or Girl Scout troop.
5. Using [What Can a Girl Scout Do When Disaster Strikes?](#) as a guide, choose a way to help those impacted by Hurricane Harvey.
Examples:
 - Create a disaster preparedness or awareness campaign in your community.
 - Donate blood or encourage your family members to donate blood.
 - Coordinate or donate to a supply drive in your community or school for those impacted by Hurricane Harvey. You might collect school supplies, food, new clothes, diapers, toiletries, etc.
 - Help prepare for future disasters by creating and donating disaster kits.
 - Volunteer at a shelter, food bank, community event, etc. helping those impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

TIP: Consider doing this patch with your First Aid badge, Safety Pin Award, or a Journey.

Share your stories with us! Email communications@gsctx.org or on social media **#GSRespond**

Questions? Contact programs@gsctx.org

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