

Girl Scouts Of Southern Illinois Recognizes Cookie All Stars

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GLEN CARBON – Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois (GSofSI) has wrapped up the annual Girl Scout Cookie Program for 2021. Girl Scouts are known for being resilient, so they weren't going to let a pandemic get in the way of crushing their goals! Girls in Southern Illinois sold 512,568 packages of Girl Scout Cookies this year. Let's give a shout out to the following girls for being All-Star Cookie Entrepreneurs for their respective areas:

- Kaitlyn Gillson from the Alton/Godfrey/Wood River/Roxana Service Unit sold 1,251 packages
- Katelynn Norman from the Bethalto Service Unit sold 834 packages
- Elise Thomlinson from the Collinsville Service Unit sold 648 packages
- Katelyn Long from the Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Service Unit sold 600 packages
- Lilly Oliver from the Granite City/Madison/Venice Service Unit sold 1,756 packages
- Bradyn Kremers from the Granite City/Madison/Venice Service Unit sold 1,038 packages
- Searrah Tyler from the Granite City/Madison/Venice Service Unit sold 1,000 packages

- Layla Basso from the Highland Service Unit sold 811 packages
- Rylee Barnett from the Troy/St. Jacob Service Unit sold 750 packages

“Our girls continue to impress us with their commitment to Girl Scouting and the Girl Scout Cookie Program. I’d like to thank them, as well as their parents and wonderful volunteers, for their hard work and dedication during such a challenging year,” said Loretta Graham, GSofSI Chief Executive Officer. “The Girl Scout Cookie Program helps girls gain five valuable skills – goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills and business ethics – that will benefit them throughout their lives. And, proceeds from the cookie program stay local to provide numerous opportunities for girls to explore their interests and become tomorrow’s leaders.”

Girl Scouts and cookies share a rich history. While recipes and box designs have changed over the years, selling cookies remains an important part of today’s Girl Scout program. The activity of selling cookies is directly related to Girl Scouts’ purpose of helping all girls reach their full potential and helping them become strong, confident and resourceful citizens. All cookie proceeds stay right here in Southern Illinois.

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the largest girl-led entrepreneurial program in the world. Many successful businesswomen today say that got their start selling Girl Scout Cookies. During cookie activities, girls are members of a team working toward a common goal, with each girl striving to do her best. Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois serves over 7,800 girls and engages 3,357 adult volunteers in 40 counties in Southern Illinois. Join Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois today! Adult volunteers and girls in K-12 are welcome. Call 800-345-6858 or email customercare@gssofsi.org. Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois is a not-for-profit organization supported by various United Ways, businesses and individual donors throughout the region.

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