



Discover, Connect, Take Action

Senior/Ambassadors Girl Scout

“No Bones About It” Patch

To earn this patch please choose one research topic below and follow the course to Discover, Connect and Take Action.

In addition to your research project please choose a service project to benefit the Humane Society of Broward County directly. You can check out our website at www.humanebroward.com, go to Education, Learn More, Students & Teachers and then Service Projects. Some ideas include doing a toy collection, making treats or toys, holding a bake sale etc.

Please contact Darlene Feldman, Humane Education Specialist (954) 266-6848 or Dfeldman@hsbroward.com for guidance, questions and to begin your project. At the conclusion of your assignment please call Darlene to present your project, collect your patch (\$2.00 per patch) and tour the Humane Society of Broward County. Please complete the attached forms.

CHOOSE A TOPIC

- Puppy Mills
- Dog Meat Farms
- Pet Overpopulation
- Dog Fighting Rings
- Animal Hoarding
- Cosmetic Animal Testing
- Animals in Entertainment
- Factory Farming
- Greyhound Racing
- If you have another topic please call Darlene at (954) 266-6848 to get approval.

1. DISCOVER

Inquire: Use inquiry. Ask questions about your topic. For example: What is a Puppy Mill? Why do Puppy Mills exist? Why do people buy puppy mill puppies? Why would anybody breed puppies for money? Why aren't puppy mills monitored more closely?

Research and Investigate:

Independently research your chosen topic by searching a variety of websites that relate to your topic. Interview people in the field of Animal Welfare or Animal Rights regarding your topic. The Humane Society of Broward County is just one resource. Interview people on the opposing side of your topic to find out their perspective.

Critically assess the all aspects of your research and be sure it is reliable and accurate.

2. CONNECT

Connect with other people, other girl scouts, businesses, friends in the community that interested in your cause. Tell them about your research and what you have discovered. Work together using cooperative learning to create an action plan to help your cause.

3. TAKE ACTION

After you have connected to other people that are interested in helping it's time to "take action." Lead your group to create a plan to bring to light your topic. Be creative, be specific and make it happen! The Humane Society of Broward County wants to see you in action. Take photos, write about your event, and tell us all about it. Perhaps you could share your project during a Humane Society camp program.

Action Ideas:

- Create posters, banners, fliers or brochures about your topic.
- Create a video about your topic.
- Have a community table at an event regarding your topic.
- Speak at a City Commissioner's Meeting.
- Write to your local newspaper.
- Create and present a lesson to a group.

4. RECEIVE YOUR HSBC PATCH

Once you have completed your research project & your service project please contact Darlene Feldman at (954) 266-6848 or DFeldman@hsbroward.com to share your experience and documentation with her. Please provide a written report, photos and any other samples of what you created during your experience.



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Name:	Age:
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Date:	Phone#:

Which Animal Topic did you choose for your research project? Why did you choose this topic?

What questions did you ask in connection to your topic? Please list your questions. List the resources you used to investigate your topic. Include websites, professionals, books, articles etc. Please attach additional sheets as needed.

Who did you connect with to teach, share and plan an activity about your topic?

Please tell us all about your action plan. What did you do to take action to let others know about your topic? Please describe exactly what you did and how it was received. Please include any photos, posters, videos, fliers etc. that demonstrate your action event.

What community service project did you choose to benefit the Humane Society of Broward County? How did your project help the animals?

