

It's Your Planet - Love It! Ambassadors - Justice



Basic Description

- Girls learn to identify different environmental injustices, understand how they arise and brainstorm solutions to them
- Includes case studies of different environmental issues like Love Cannel, Fresh Kills and Biofuels
- Throughout book there are opportunities for natures breaks, to soar, and to be a puzzler
- Profiles of women who work toward environmental justice are profiled

What do they earn and how do they earn them?

- Sage Award
 - There are six steps to completing the award
 - Look High, Look Wide – encourages girls to look at a variety of environmental issues from multiple perspectives
 - Do the Math – look at ways you can make a difference through changes in their behavior and then look for ways to inspire others to join their movement
 - Be Hawk-Eyed – analyze the information you have collected and their sources to determine if it is accurate
 - Take the Scientific View – determine what science can or cannot say about the environmental threat you are researching
 - Decipher Decisions – take a close look at the decision-making process to find out what works, what doesn't and how to cope with what you don't know
 - Write Your Equation and Present It – provides tips for your presentation

Possible Field Trips or Community Partners

- Local environmental agencies like Bridging the Gap and Keep America Beautiful
- Local nature parks
- Recycling Centers
- Go camping or spend time in nature
- Visit various environmental inspired art exhibits

Additional Programming Ideas for Troop Meetings

- Create journals to use on the Journey
- Collect quotes about justice or injustice and create an art project or display
- Learn to use GIS mapping and how its used to identify places for landfills and storing of hazardous waster

Other Thoughts or Helpful Hints

- It is recommended that each girl have a copy of the Journey book
- The green boxes throughout the Facilitator Guide have great additional programming options including movies, cooking and art projects

Interest Project Patches & Other Program Connections

- Leadership IPP
- Global Girl IPP
- Do You Get the Message IPP
- Conflict Resolution IPP
- Understanding Yourself and Others IPP
- A World of Understanding IPP
- Eco-Action IPP
- High Tech Hide and Seek IPP

Please note: Other Interest Projects and Program can fit in as well. This is just a list to get you started.

Note to leaders & mentors: You want the girls to take a major role in planning and executing this leadership experience. They may first want you to come up with ideas and plans. But hold your ground! This is the girls' experience and they're up to the challenge.