Basic Description

- The flowers introduced in It’s Your World – Change it! go on a cross country road trip to Maine, Pittsburg, Wisconsin, the Great Salt Lake, Arizona, California and Alaska.
- Girls explore the beauty of nature in new places as well as their home.
- They learn about various seeds and plants including their benefits, problems they cause, why certain flowers might be endangered and their living conditions.
- It highlights women in careers that protect the environment.
- It provides a great review of the parts of the Girl Scout Law.

What do they earn and how do they earn them?

- The Blue Bucket Award
  - Encourages girls to become aware of their feelings and the feelings of those around them. Also encourages them to develop good relationship skills.
  - To earn, the girls:
    - Tell one another about their feelings and the feelings of those around them.
    - Take part in role-playing activities that encourages them to resolve conflicts, negotiate and be considerate of others.
  - Steps to earning this award are built into sample sessions 1-3

- The Firefly Award
  - Girls recognize and develop their skills and then choose a skill they will educate and inspire others about.
  - To earn, the girls:
    - Think about and talk about their own skills and those of their sister Daisies.
    - Choose a skill that they can teach other, either at home or in their community.
  - Steps to earn this award are built into sample sessions 4-6

- The Clover Award
  - Girls team up to protect a natural treasure in their region.
  - To earn, girls:
    - Learn about and commit to protecting a natural treasure in their region.
    - Educate and inspire other in their community to join with them to protect the local treasure.
  - Suggestions for projects are on pages 82-83 of the leader guide
  - Girls complete their project in sample sessions 7-9
Petal Connections
Girls review the Girl Scout Law throughout this Journey. Even if a majority of your troop has earned the Petals, you could help new girls earn them while completing this Journey. Page 30 of the leader guide has some great questions about It’s Your World – Change it! that could be used to help the girls remember the first Journey.

Possible Field Trips or Community Partners
- Visit various nature sites in your area - see examples of local plants and natural landmarks. Here are a few examples:
  - Girl Scout camps
  - Community or master gardeners
  - Local nurseries
  - State parks
  - Nature centers
  - Zoos
- Natural History Museums

Additional Programming Ideas for Troop Meetings
- Have a map of the United States and let the girls plot the road trip as they read the story.
- Have girls share pictures or describe their favorite family trip or vacation.
- Have girls design their own “smart” cars using recycled materials.
- Complete activities related to Leave No Trace principles.

Other Thoughts or Helpful Hints
- This is a story book with discussion questions. Possibly read the story at the troop meeting and use some of the discussion questions. The girls could then complete an activity related to that part of the road trip. You could also get guest readers to help during each meeting – either other parents or older girls. You might also consider making the story interactive or paraphrasing it.
- Various aspects of STEM programming is built into this Journey – encourage girls to take a side trip to further explore this area
- This is a 10-session Journey but could be modified to fit your troop’s needs.
- Visit the [Girl Scout website](https://www.girlscouts.org) for additional resources and to download forms and letters that you can use to recruit parents to help with this Journey.