



Earth Day Patch

Sponsored by Fluor

To earn this free patch, complete the following:

1. Learn about the history of Earth Day by reading and watching videos. Review at least two of the links below or research on your own!
 - a. History of Earth Day from Earthday.org
 - b. [Earth Day Fun Facts](#)
 - c. [17 Cities around the World that do Earth Day Right](#)
 - d. History of Earth Day- 50th Anniversary ([video](#))
 - e. Earth Day History for Kids ([video](#))
2. Take action with an Earth Day project and complete at least three of the options below:
 - a. Unplug-
 - i. On April 22nd, take time to unplug for an hour or more. Make a point to turn off lights when they are not in use.
 - b. Create an Earth Day Poster –
 - i. Share what you learned about Earth Day by creating a poster or sign for a window at home.
 - ii. You can also create a digital poster on Canva, paint, or other programs about the importance of Earth Day.
 1. Hint: You can take pictures of nature around you and use it as the background or make a collage!
 - c. Create an Earth Day Video –
 - i. Using the fun facts you learned in the first section, create a short 15 – 30 second video about the benefits of Earth Day. It could be about the importance of recycling, a top 5 list of places to hike/go on a walk to in your community, or anything you think others should know about Earth Day.
 - ii. Post this video on social media and tag GSNETX in the comments, or share your video to media@gsnetx.org.

- d. Go on a Nature Scavenger Hunt-
 - i. See all the wonder of nature by going on a family nature scavenger hunt. [Click here](#) for a downloadable scavenger hunt!
- e. Go for a walk –
 - i. Find a new walking path or hike.
 - ii. Plan the walk or hike with your family, friends, or troop members. What snacks will you bring? What clothes should you wear?
- f. Clean Up Your Community –
 - i. Connect with your local Keep Texas Beautiful department and get your troop together to clean up a local park. Use the checklist on the next page to help you get started!
- g. Plant Something-
 - i. Go to the store and get a pot, soil, and plant fruits, vegetables, herbs, or wildflowers.
 - ii. If you have more room, start a garden in your backyard.
- h. Art in Nature –
 - i. Take pictures of the beauty around you. Look for things in nature that bring you happiness and peace.
 - ii. Create a piece of art with flowers, leaves, branches, etc. things you see in nature.
- i. Write a Letter —
 - i. Use your voice to write a letter or email to your local representative about the importance of Earth Day and ask what they plan on doing to keep your community clean.
- j. Complete a Girl Scout Environmental Patch –
 - i. Earn you [Protect Your Plant Patch](#)
 - ii. Earn your Girl Scouts [Climate Change Patch](#)
 - iii. Earn one of the outdoor badges for your program level
- k. Visit [Earthday.org](#), [National Geographic Kids](#), or [Girl Scouts USA](#) to find more ideas.

Online patch reporting form: gsnetx.org/patchform (one per troop or Juliette)
Questions? Email Program@gsnetx.org

**** This patch has helped you complete some of these badges! ****

Daisy

- Trail Adventure
- Eco Learner
- Outdoor Art Maker

Brownie:

- Brownie Trail Adventure
- Bugs
- Eco Friend
- Hiker
- Outdoor Adventurer
- Outdoor Art Creator

Junior:

- Gardener
- Flowers
- Outdoor Art Explorer

Cadette:

- Cadette Trail Adventure
- Eco trekker

Senior:

- Senior Trail Adventure
- Outdoor Art Expert

Ambassador:

- Ambassador Trail Adventure
- Outdoor Art Maker

Clean Up Check List

- Pick a time, date, and place (optional) that you want to clean up.
- Contact your local Keep Texas Beautiful contact (next page). They will provide a location (if you don't have one), trash bags, trash pick-up sticks, and gloves.
- Pick up the clean-up materials from your city.
- If you choose not to go through a city, plan on getting trash bags and gloves.
- Wear clothes that will help you stay safe! If it is cold, wear long sleeves and a jacket. Make sure you wear sunscreen, closed toed shoes, and always bring water.
- Take pictures of you/your troop/your family having fun and email it to media@gsnetx.org!

Keep Texas Beautiful Contacts

Irving:

- Rick Hose
- RHose@cityofirving.org
- (972) 721-2175
- 3000 Rock Island, Irving, TX 75060

Frisco:

- Julianah Marie, 972-292-5904
- JMarie@friscotexas.gov
- 6616 Walnut St. Frisco, Texas 75033

Richardson:

- Teri McBride
- Teri.mcbride@cor.gov
- (972) 744—4082
- 411 W. Arapaho Rd., Suite 107 Richardson, Texas 75080

Garland:

- Betty White
- (972) 978-7991

Dallas:

- info@keepdallasbeautiful.com
- 214-564-6185
- 4824 Cash Rd, Dallas, TX 75247

Tyler:

- (903) 531-1370
- Cottonbelt Building, Office # 343, 1517 W. Front St. Tyler, TX 75702

Longview:

- k1b@longviewtexas.gov
- 903-212-4552
- 410 S. High St. (located inside the Development Services building)

Denton:

- Autumn Natalie
- (940) 349-8711
- autumn.natalie@cityofdenton.com
- 321 E McKinney Street Denton, TX 76201

Little Elm:

- KLEB75068@gmail.com

Lewisville:

- Amy Wells
- amy@keeplewisvillebeautiful.org
- 972—538—5949
- 247 W. Main Street Lewisville, Texas 75057

McKinney

- contact-engineering@mckinnetexas.org
- 972-547-7475
- 221 N. Tennessee St. McKinney, TX 75069

Grapevine

- info@keepcrapevinebeautiful.org
- 817-410-3490

Cedar Hill:

- Mary Horsechief,
- mary.horsechief@cedarhilltx.com
- 972—291—5726 ext. 2803

Lancaster:

- James Mays
- 972-218-3708
- jmays@lancaster-tx.com
- 1700 Veterans Memorial Pkwy, TX 75134

Mesquite:

- KMB@citvofmesouite.com
- 972-329-8331
- 1616 N. Galloway Ave. Mesquite, TX 75149

Forney:

- Jon Urso, jurso@cityofforney.org
- 972-552-6675
- Forney Community Park, Mick Spellman, Jr. Building 241 S FM 548 Forney, TX 75126

Rockwall:

- 972-771-7740
- wyoung@rockwall.com

If your city is not listed here, please visit your city's website, and look for the parks and recreation department. They will be able to assist you.