

# GO GREEN with UKI TRY-IT REQUIREMENTS

For Girl Scout Brownies  
Girl Scouts Sierra Rose Service Unit's Own  
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UKI is the mascot of the Roseville Utility Exploration Center. The center is located inside the Martha Riley Library at 1501 Pleasant Grove Blvd, Roseville, CA 95747. (916) 746-1550.  
[www.roseville.ca.us/explore](http://www.roseville.ca.us/explore). This Try-It introduces Girl Scout Brownies to the Utility Exploration Center and teaches them about waste reduction, water and energy conservation, pollution and other environmental issues facing our community and planet.

To earn this Try-It complete at least four of the six activities. You will do #1, #2, #3 and #5 during a tour of the Exploration Center. Book your tour online at [www.roseville.ca.us/explore](http://www.roseville.ca.us/explore). There is a small fee for the tour.

## Discover

1\*) **Explore the Garbage Pile:** During your tour, explore the Center's *Garbage Pile* Display. Go on a scavenger hunt and answer questions about all the trash. Learn how trash is connected to water, electricity, and the environment.

2\*) **Elements of Waste:** Separate examples of household garbage into bags labeled with the various choices made everyday when getting rid of stuff. Learn to make the "green" choice every time.

## Connect

3\*) **Build Your Green House:** During your tour, explore the Center's *Green House* room. The girls will work as a team to design a house that reduces the amount of energy and water that they use everyday.

4) **Lunch Dump:** Eat a meal or snack with your troop at the Utility Exploration Center. Together with the staff and your troop, discuss how you can reduce the amount of waste that you have to throw away afterward.

## Take Action

5) **Trashy Art:** Make an artistic creation out of items that normally get thrown away. Or make an artistic creation that has an environmental message. Some ideas are: make tote bags out of silver-colored juice boxes; make gift bags out of road maps; make a water cycle pony-bead bracelet.

6) **Unwanted Items:** With the help of a parent, Girl Scout leader or other responsible adult, find unwanted household items and donate them to a needy organization or give them to a fellow Girl Scout/troop's project or donation. This is a great way to keep things out of the landfill.

Some local organizations are:

- PEACE for Families (gently used clothing, toiletries, cleaning supplies, school supplies)
- St Vincent de Paul (non-perishable food)
- The Gathering Inn
- Sacramento Children's Home

Be sure you contact the organization first to see what they will accept.

To purchase this Try-It badge complete the *GO GREEN with UKI Try-It Checklist* and deliver it to the Sierra Rose Service Unit Manager. See the [How to Earn the GO GREEN with UKI Try-It](#) document for details.