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Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast partner with WAVY-TV to help students in need

When you think of Girl Scouts, what comes to mind? Probably those great tasting cookies. But Girl Scouts is so much more. From the start of the organization in 1912, community service has been at the heart of the organization. Throughout generations, girls have done amazing things to improve their communities and help others. Not just during the school year, but all year.

This summer, two Suffolk Girl Scouts, Eshani Patel and Leann Purkey from Girl Scout Troop 330, and Riley Sanders from Troop 957 in Virginia Beach, took time to help with Operation School Supplies sponsored by WAVY-TV and friends. The school supplies collected will be distributed to kids in need throughout Hampton Roads.

"My time as a Girl Scout has taught me to give back to the community as much as possible because we are learning to be selfless and helpful, no matter who we are helping," Eshani said. "We are also giving people a bit of joy in their everyday lives!"

Both Eshani and Leann have earned their Bronze Award and are working to earn their Silver Award, the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn. Riley, a second year Girl Scout Brownie is excited to kick off the cookie season which begins January 4, 2020.

To find out more about Girl Scouts, visit their website at www.gscucc.org or call them at 1-800-SCOUT.

About Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast

Girl Scouts of the Colonial Coast, a United Way agency, serves nearly 11,000 girls in grades K through 12 with the help of nearly 5,000 adult volunteers in southeastern Virginia and northeastern North Carolina. Girl Scouts offers a one-of-a-kind leadership development program for girls, unleashing the G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)[™] in every girl. Since 1912, Girl Scouts has been building girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. To volunteer, reconnect, donate or join, visit www.gscucc.org or call 1-800-77SCOUT.

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