

Girl Scouts of Central Texas Rail Safety Patch Program

Developed in collaboration with Capital Metro and Operation Lifesaver. If you enjoy this patch program please check out our Capital Metro Patch Program created in 2016.



Program Grade Level Requirements:

- **Daisy:** 4 activities – one from each category and one from any category you choose
- **Brownie:** 5 activities – one from each category and two from any category you choose
- **Junior:** 6 activities – two from each category
- **Cadette, Senior & Ambassador:** 7 activities – two from each category and one from any category you choose

DISCOVER

1. Learn about the different forms of mass transportation, such as trains, buses, subways, air travel, etc.
2. Find out about the history of the American railroad.
3. Learn about railroad terminology.
4. Find out about at least three careers associated with the rail system.
5. *Learn about Railroad Safety by working with you troop to have a Cap Metro or Operation Lifesaver presentation at you next troop meeting or visit their website to learn about what you can do to stay safe near railroad tracks.

CONNECT

1. Ride a train.
2. Visit three railroad crossings and take photos of what you see including safety installations, signs, fencing, pavement markings, road hazards, etc. REMEMBER – When you are a near tracks or the street, you must pay attention. Do not stand on the tracks or in front of traveling cars while taking photos.
3. Figure out how to get from you house to another location using only buses and trains.

4. Go to a model train store or visit a train museum.
5. *Make a diorama of a train station that includes important transportation safety factors including signs, pavement markings, and road hazards.

TAKE ACTION

1. *Design a poster about rail safety. Display this poster at your school or la local business.
2. Create a song, poem, or skit about trail safety.
3. There are many legends or folktales about trains. Read some stories involving trains, then write your own story to share about trains and safety.
4. *Create a comic strip about trains.
5. Film or record a public service announcement for your community about trail safety.

**Resources for the starred activities can be found at the Operations Lifesaver website: oli.org.*