

## GALLANT CHALLENGE

# Team Power!

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The kids in Girl Scout Troop 61150 tackle some big projects. And they get each one done by breaking it down and working together.

After hearing about storm damage and power outages that had happened in other states, the troop talked about how people can prepare for natural disasters. Nine-year-old Rebecca Fusco came up with the idea of putting together Life Buckets. These buckets would be filled with emergency supplies that families might need, such as food, blankets, matches, and even playing cards.

The other troop members loved the idea. So each one tackled a different topic, researching and writing up how to handle different issues in an emergency.



Then the girls called stores to ask for donations of buckets with lids, glow sticks, and nonperishable food. They organized fund-raisers, selling first-aid kits and more, to raise money to purchase other supplies that people would need in a disaster. And

### Who Tackled Each Topic?

WHO	HOW TO . . .
Sarah	use a fire extinguisher
Violette	give first aid
Mahika	purify water
Lily	make a fire
C.J.	use tools
Alina and Rachel	prepare food
Rebecca	deal with stress, mental health
Finn	provide light
Bailey	care for pets' needs
Ava	find shelter



This troop worked together to make Life Buckets.

they printed brochures with information about each topic, all to be put in the Life Buckets.

Together, the troop made and gave away 99 Life Buckets at town events, parades, a food pantry, the council on aging, and other places. They also gave talks on what they'd learned about preparing for emergencies.

Working as a team made a tough job easy—and the troop helped their community in the process. **W**

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