



# Celebrate Gold

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## Don't Leave Me Hanging: The Search for the Complete Series

Kiarra Adkins was a Girl Scout for 13 years as a member of Troop 1813 in Service Unit 654. She is currently attending Missouri State University, majoring in Psychology.

Kiarra fundraised to fill an important need at her former high school. She found that some book series were incomplete in the library due to a lack of resources and wanted to make sure students had access to books they were interested in. Coming from a rural community, she knows first-hand the impact of school budget cuts and her project helped fill a gap in funding for the library.

As someone with dyslexia, Kiarra knows the power of finding a story that inspires and motivates students to read more. She wanted to ensure that if a student was enjoying a book series, they would have access to the complete series, free of charge, at the high school library. Her hope was that it would help improve the quality of life and increase the rate of reading at her high school.

Thanks to her fundraising efforts, the books she was able to purchase for the school will be available for students to enjoy for years to come.

**“Because of Girl Scouts... I have become a great leader, I have learned to always be prepared, and I have learned to be responsible for myself and others.”**