

The Cookie Experience

RB GIRL SCOUTS INVEST IN THEMSELVES AND THEIR COMMUNITY

Rancho Bernardo-based Girl Scout Cadette Troop 2151 has big plans for this year's cookie earnings. The troop, led by Camille Reyno, has been hard at work selling enough Girl Scout cookies to meet their goals for the upcoming year.

Some of the proceeds will go towards Troop 2151's two Silver Awards in progress – the highest award available for Cadettes. The first project is a Buddy Bench at Bernardo Heights Middle School, which the girls envision as a place for students to connect with others and foster a sense of community. The second project is an awareness campaign educating teenagers about the warning signs of human trafficking. The campaign will use social media platforms like TikTok and YouTube as well as community open houses.

Troop 2151's cookie profits will also fund other service projects – and some fun activities. Every year, the troop donates filled Easter baskets to teen girls at Casa de Amparo, which serves children affected by and at risk of abuse. The troop has a camping and hiking trip to Borrego Springs planned, as well as a bridging ceremony at Yosemite National Park, where they'll promote to the next level of Girl Scouts, Seniors. Remaining cookie money will be used to send a girl in need to Girl Scout camp this summer.

Learn more about Girl Scouts San Diego at www.sdgirlscouts.org, and learn more about local opportunities by contacting Rancho Bernardo Recruitment Specialist Victoria Vazquez at vvazquez@sdgirlscouts.org. ■

