



Brooke Gooding

Literacy Libraries

Brooke Gooding earned her Gold Award for her Literacy Libraries project. Inspired by her parents, both educators, Brooke wanted to address the lack of educational resources in lower socio-economic communities. This involved creating six mini libraries placed in accessible public locations, including a laundromat, two restaurants, a homeless housing facility, a park, and a children's home. These libraries provide free books to individuals of all ages, giving them the opportunity to enhance their education and better themselves academically. Brooke's project had a lasting impact, with the libraries remaining self-sustaining thanks to community involvement through comment notebooks. Brooke has been a dedicated Girl Scout for 11 years. After graduating from Liberty High School in Peoria, Brooke plans to attend Northern Arizona University to study mathematics and minor in business. She looks forward to continuing her efforts to make a positive impact on her community.

