

Savor the Moments

Along the journey, there were probably less serious moments that may not be represented in the Thinking Points reflection you just did. Random things such as “strangest experience” and “best outfit” deserve mentioning, too, right? So what was the:

- Biggest “duh” moment?
- Strangest experience?
- Best outfit?
- Yummiest snack?
- Most embarrassing moment?
- Worst technological glitch?
- Greatest “aha” moment?
- Greatest giggle moment?

PASS IT ON

Part of closing the loop is letting others know about your effort and its progress—and offering a call to action to those who might step in and carry it forward. A nice way to accomplish this is to combine it with a celebration. Try one of these options:

Option 1: Host an Advocacy Appreciation Event

Organize a meeting at your Girl Scout council, school, or community forum and give your partners a chance to take a next step (or two) in carrying your issue forward. You might also give them something special: a scrapbook, a handmade gift that relates to the issue, a plaque, T-shirt, certificate, or some other token of appreciation. Consider commemorating the occasion with a Girl Scout ceremony.

Option 2: Prepare and Share a Presentation

Prepare a presentation of what you’ve accomplished, and share it with your VIPs, friends, classmates, family, or community organization. Invite the media to attend or write up a description for the local paper. Include a description of:

- Your issue
- Your research
- Your solution
- The people you helped/what was changed
- Everyone who helped you and what they did

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Hillary Clinton heads a task force to reform health care. Her plan mandates that employers provide health coverage to all employees through private health maintenance organizations. Congress rejects the plan. In 2007, as a U.S. Senator from New York, the former First Lady proposes universal health care during her presidential campaign.