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Girl Scouts Build Bird Houses for Arlington Earth Day

Girl Scout Troop #1214 of Upper Arlington put forth their efforts for Earth Day designing bird houses.

The leader of the troop, Eve Peratopoulos said, "We really wanted to do something for Earth Day and help the girls learn about community service."

With assistance from her father, a retired forester, Eve developed a plan of having her troop create bird houses. Donations of wood were provided by Lowe's and Home Depot. After receiving the wood, Eve and her daughter, Anastasia, age 11, cut and prepared the wood so the troop would be able to assemble them.

The troop produced nine bird houses to be donated to the Upper Arlington Forestry Department and the Ohio Wildlife Center in Powell.

Founded in 1912, Girl Scouts of the USA is the premier leadership development program for girls age 5 to 18. The mission is to build girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place. Girl Scouts is shaping the next generation of women leaders through leadership and service in the arts, science, technology, environment, etiquette and manners, and numerous other experiences that are contemporary, compelling and relevant to today's girls.

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Girl Scout Troop #1214 displays bird houses they made for an Earth Day project. Members are (left to right) row 1: Ellen Snyder, Claire Parsley, Olivia Starkey, Dana Snyder, Cori Holland; row 2: Lauren Such, Madison Graver, Anastasia Peratopoulos and Lauren Karap.