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## What?

A bluebird trail is a line of bluebird houses, often along a biking/walking trail. There are requirements for these homes, such as the size of the entryway, and the distance between them. They also need to be away from roads and heavy traffic, so I thought the park would be a perfect place. It also allows easy access for maintenance, which is crucial, as other bird species may invade.

The Girl Scout Silver Award is one of three prestigious awards in Girl Scouting, second only to the Gold Award. I have already earned my Bronze Award. I created a bluebird trail to do my part in conserving the species, and a library box to inform people of this important issue.

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## Why?

Bluebirds, once a frequent sight throughout the United States, suffered severe depletion in the second half of the 1900s due to the use of DDT and the loss of natural habitat.

This loss of habitat has primarily been caused by new housing developments being built, which replace the open fields bluebirds use to nest and feed.



With the help of conservancy movements like this bluebird trail, this loss has been reversed, but ongoing conservation efforts must continue.

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## Bluebird Houses In Upper Saucon Park



This trail and library box was created as part of a Silver Award project by Amy Schwartz, a local Girl Scout.

The bluebird houses are located throughout the park, on both sides of Preston Lane—a map on the other side of this brochure shows the locations. Please don't open or look in them, as it may disturb the birds.

In addition, there are books for different age groups in the library box to learn about bluebirds. You may borrow and return them.

