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Some examples
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Two Scouts on one project

• Done once in Central Florida council at Celebration. Scout 1 started a large project ($6300) to build a memorial wall. The project was not complete, but the scout was diagnosed with Leukemia. Scout 2 applied for permission, and after permission was granted all the way from National, embellished the project some and completed it. The first scout was awarded his Eagle the day before he died. The second scout was also awarded his Eagle.
What is wrong with this project?

- Scout gets an old car donated. Many people work with him to restore the car. The scout then sells the car and takes the proceeds and contributes them to a recognized charity.

What’s wrong? Eagle project can NOT be a fundraiser.
Unexpected donations

• The scout decided to build bat boxes for a state park. When talking to the DAC, the DAC had an idea and gave him the name and contact information for his neighbor, who worked for the local electric company as a lineman, since this person always seemed to have a few old power poles for projects of his own. Scout contacted this person, who ended up arranging for:
  – 1. All new poles.
  – 2. A digging crew, complete with auger to plant the poles.
  – 3. This individual even went on to help design and weld the brackets to hold the bat boxes to the poles.
  – 4. He asked for a pair of bat boxes for his own yard and hung them up as well.
Donations

- Scout came to the Project review with a plan laid out to plant trees at an elementary school. We asked him where he was going to get the trees.
- His response was: “I’m going to Lowes tomorrow and they will give me $600 worth of trees”.
- After verifying that he had not even talked to Lowes about this, we counseled the young man about what you can and can’t expect in the way of donations.
What is wrong with this project?

- The scout went on the net to find “approved projects” and found this one. The scout would show up at habitat for humanity on a Saturday and be made a foreman of a crew assigned to him.
- No leadership and no pre-planning.
Blood drive as a project

- Don’t even ask – no leadership, no planning, the Red Cross does everything, all the scout would do is show up.
What is wrong with this project?

• Homeowner association has a nice park and the scout wants to add to it.

• Great, by law, all homeowners associations in the state of Florida are “not for profit”! A perfectly valid project.
How much does a Project cost?

• ZERO dollars is an acceptable number.
• The photo is from the eagle service project of the DAC who wrote this presentation, and the total cost was < 10$.
• Hours required must be enough to show Leadership. There is no minimum number.
Eagle Service Project Ideas Presentation

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