

Boardwalks for Caledonia Conservancy's Neighborhood Center Walk

Jacob Fell's Eagle Scout Project

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Dear YAR representatives,

I would like to thank you for considering my project and awarding me the grant. Without the grant, my project would have been more difficult to fund. Going through the YAR process helped me grow my presentation and organization skills. It was great meeting and working with all of you! Thank you for believing in the Youth of Racine.

Sincerely,

Jacob Fell

1. The idea for my project came from the people at the Caledonia Conservancy. I met with them and asked what they wanted me to do. They wanted me to install some boardwalks on the trail at the Neighborhood central walk in low areas that get flooded. The service that my project provides is easy access to the trail year round.
2. When I met with the Caledonia Conservancy they had multiple projects that they were willing to have me do. I decided on the boardwalks because it seemed like something that would have a significant benefit and be fun to complete.



3. Throughout the project I learned that I am a pretty good leader. I never really thought that I was until I actually took control and began leading my project. I was able to explain and lead by example.
4. After completing my project I felt one of the most accomplished feelings that I have ever felt throughout my entire life. It gave me a sense of great pride that I was able to complete something this significant.
5. Through this project I learned that the community in which I live is extremely helping. I had many friends and family take time out of their day to come and help me with this project. I also had some people that lived down the street from where I did my project come and help.



6. The part that went the best was the installation on the second weekend. Everybody worked extremely hard and as a team and we finished a great deal of work in a reasonable time.
7. The best part about my project for me was seeing all of my friends and family come together and work hard. It was nice to not have to worry about any disputes.
8. There were quite a few roadblocks and obstacles that occurred with my project.
 - The first was I received the funding too early so I had to send it back and then receive it again.
 - The second was that the day of the second work day it began to pour so I had to reschedule.
 - The third is that I over engineered my design of the boardwalks so we made some simple modifications to make them easier to install while being just as sturdy.
9. The most challenging part of my project was overcoming all of the obstacles that occurred. They became frustrating and I had to remain calm and work it out.
10. If I were to do this project again I would engineer the boardwalks differently so that they were not as hard to install and assemble. I would keep everything else the same because I feel that my plan worked out fairly well.













