The Adventure:
Spruce up your community by putting a fresh coat of paint on park benches, picnic tables, gazebos or whatever else comes to mind. Because paint is meant to have a lasting impact, it’s important to make sure you get it right. Talk to somebody from your local government to come up with a project that’s best for your Troop or Patrol.

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- Visit places that may need some paint. Take pictures to help compare and decide.
- Get the appropriate permission to paint in your site.
- Consider how to minimize your project’s environmental impact.
- What equipment and gear are required?
- Divide out the jobs.
- When will you paint? Remember to check the weather forecasts.

Do:
- Visit a park, schoolyard, or camp and put a fresh coat of paint where it’s needed!

Review:
- What do you know now that you did not know before?
- Did the group work well as a team? Why or why not?
- How did you feel before, during, and after this activity?
- Did you have fun? Why or why not?
- What would you do differently in the future?

Safety note:
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