

Friends of the Linear Park

**My Girl Scout Gold Award
- Gillian Mandel**



Friends of the Linear Park, was a project I created in 2016 for my Girl Scout Gold Award Project. After many months of hard work and determination, I successfully completed this project on September 30, 2017. With only a handful of selfless volunteers, we as a whole picked up trash, hula hoed invasive weeds, placed 3 raptor poles, a beautiful bench, and a garbage bin along the pathway. In the future, I would love to have another event like this.



Who Helped?



- ❖ With the help of many generous donations, I was able to purchase the bench, t-shirts, and snacks for our volunteers.
- ❖ Cassinelli Landscaping offered to dig holes, provide concrete, and place my bench into the ground along with the raptor poles.
- ❖ Nature's Bakery donated the metal garbage barrel.
- ❖ Muscle Powered graciously volunteered their Saturday and contributed monetarily.
- ❖ Individuals donated the metal post for the garbage bin and materials to build the raptor poles.
- ❖ Lastly, Carson City Parks and Rec. let me use the community clean up trailer.

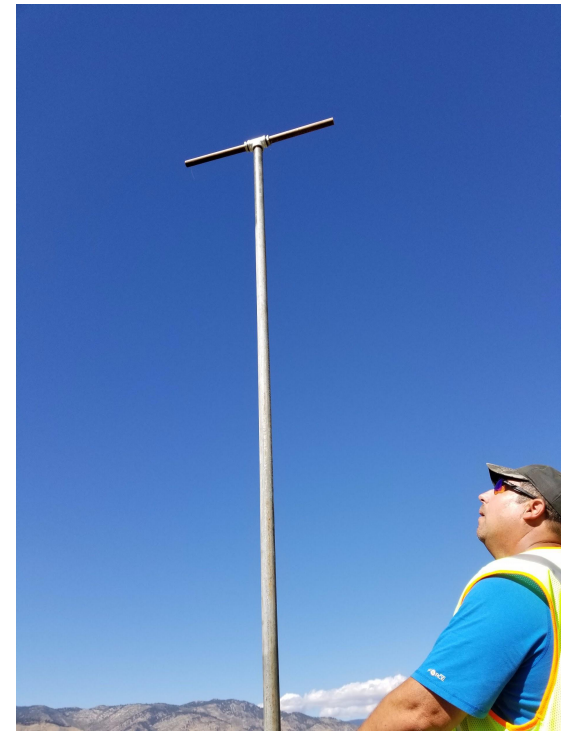
What did I learn?

- ❖ Have to set a date, it forces you to accomplish your goals.
- ❖ Be persistent.
- ❖ Be gracious.
- ❖ Ask for help even when you don't think you need it.
- ❖ Use everything to your advantage.
- ❖ Don't procrastinate.
- ❖ Always say thank you.





While walking along the path, my mom and I continuously see people watching the wildlife or just taking a breather. When I ask how they like the park improvements, they are very appreciative of my efforts. It brings me great joy to witness people sitting on my park bench admiring the beauty and wildlife surrounding them.



Cassinelli Landscaping Crew!



My Grandparents



Vern and I



The First Sighting

