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Books on Tape Go Gold

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Julie Sanders with Trust in Education's Budd MacKenzie Photo provided

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Julie Sanders recently finished putting 73 children's books onto cassette tapes. Why? For her Girl Scout Gold Award project Sanders, a senior at Campolindo High School, worked with Budd MacKenzie and Trust in Education to provide books on tape for children attending schools in Afghanistan.

The books will be distributed to students in the schools sponsored by Trust in Education, and are located about twenty-five miles south of Kabul in two different villages, Lalander and Tangi Sadan.

Working with a local librarian, Sanders developed a list of appropriate book titles and then raised funds to cover the cost of the books and cassette recorders. She recruited volunteers to help record the books onto cassettes, so that the children could learn to read English as well as listen to the correct pronunciation of the words.

Sanders raised enough money to not only cover the costs of the books, recorders, book bags and shipping, but to make a \$500 donation to Trust in Education. The books will be shipped this fall to Afghanistan. She says she is very grateful to her donors and volunteer readers.

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