

COMMUNITY SERVICE IDEAS

CSF/CJSF STATE MOTTO, "SCHOLARS FOR SERVICE"

Important: : Create a verification of service form and distribute to students before they perform service. Include: student name, event, authorized adult signature, date, number of hours, etc.). You may need to verify adult signatures.

Suggestion: Contact your local newspaper or t.v. news channel to promote, publicize your event.

Ideas:

- Adopt a bus bench
- Adopt a family in need (e.g., Thanksgiving baskets)
- Adopt a museum display
- Adopt a new student to help ease their transition
- Adopt A: Grandparent or Preschool or Bulletin Board
- Adopt a Highway (every quarter)
- Animal Literacy: socialization at the animal shelter (read to dogs)
- Answer Letters To Santa
- ASPCA (e.g., collect blankets for animal shelters, etc.)
- Assist at Open House or Back-to-School Night
- Assist at track meets and other school or community events
- Assist AVID with tutoring
- Assist during textbook distribution
- Bicycle repairs
- Box top for elementary schools (count them)
- Breast Cancer Awareness
- Candy Stripers
- Celebrate the local police or firefighters and host a dinner for them
- City parade volunteers
- Christmas caroling
- Church pantry volunteers
- Collect coats or blankets for the homeless
- Collect e-waste and donate items for a cause
- Collect new or gently used books for local shelters or a school in need
- Collect shoes or tee-shirts/clothes for those in need (e.g., homeless or students)
- Collect something every month
- Contact a chapter of Make-A-Wish Foundation for opportunities to help
- Contact Operation Gratitude and coordinate a project
- Contact Ronald McDonald House and organize a collection
- Contact Blankets of Love and organize a project
- Contact Project Angel Tree

- Coordinate community service with local agencies/orgns (e.g., community members Kiwanis, Lions, etc.)
- Convalescent hospital Valentine's Dance (host)
- Curb address painting
- Decorate doors at senior centers
- Disaster Relief Collections (e.g., Hurricane Harvey)

Errands for the elderly
 Give computer lessons to the elderly
 Go online to the community volunteer center for places to serve
 Graduation volunteers: decorate, distribute programs, etc.
 Graffiti Clean Up
 Hand-deliver cards to VA workshops
 Halloween Festival volunteers
 Halloween party, festival or carnival
 Happy Hats
 Have Community Service officers (e.g., Chairperson or VP for Community Service)
 Help at events for special needs children
 Help in a soup kitchen or food pantry
 Help with Freshman Orientation
 Hold a canned food drive or (gently-used or new) for those in need; food banks
 Hold a Christmas toy drive
 Hold a campus clean-up day (or a clean-up day at some community location, e.g., beach)
 Holiday baskets for those in need
 Host a prom for senior citizens
 Host Knowledge Bowl competitions (Jeopardy –style trivia) between teachers and students/students
 Host a CSF/CJSF spring conference
 Host the school district's annual spelling bee
 Hold a jump-a-thon for the American Heart Assn (or other group)
 House/pet sitting
 Make A Wish Foundation

 Make holiday cards or write notes to military personnel (boot camp, overseas, etc.)
 Make paracord bracelets (Google instructions)
 Mentor youth groups
 Organize a campus blood drive in coordination with the American Red Cross
 Organize a school supply drive for schools in need
 Organize a staff appreciation day event
 Plant a tree
 Participate in Relay for Life
 Pennies for (Patients, etc.)
 Place flags on Veterans' graves at holidays
 Organize a Project Hunger (or similar, Project Food Pack)
 Provide hospitality treats for new students or for Teacher Recognition Week
 Pumpkins for kindergartners
 Quilts For Linus Project (www.Projectlinus.Org)
 Playground upkeep and repair
 Rake lawns for elderly
 Reach out to community agencies for families in need that you can serve
 Read to younger students (e.g., pre-schools @ lunch, on-campus or at their schools)
 Read-a-thon
 Recycle (e.g., Ink Cartridges)

Relay for Life
 Rose Parade Float decoration
 Run the school's tutoring center
 Send supplies to troops or families in need
 Senior Center visitation (or entertain them)
 Serve or furnish refreshments at Senior Awards Night or other events
 Serve Thanksgiving dinner
 Sing or provide entertainment at hospitals or retirement homes
 Sort textbooks for school textbook room
 Sponsor a craft or art show
 Sponsor a blood drive
 Star Wars Read-a-thon
 Star Wars Read Night @ the school library. Get donations from Comicon connections
 Stuff a bus (with gifts).
 Toiletries drive
 Trail maintenance projects
 Trash can painting
 Usher at school events
 Valentines for Seniors
 Veteran Cards or Donations or Care Packages
 Visit convalescent hospitals or senior centers
 Volunteer at a hospital, school, library or local centers (senior citizen, convalescent homes, etc.)
 Volunteer at a local festival or community event
 Volunteer at Special Olympics
 Walk dogs
 Walk to end Alzheimers
 Weed abatement
 Wednesday Window Washers
 Work with community groups: Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, Rotary Club, etc.
 Write poetry for the elderly
 Write stories for inspiration and share with the sick or elderly