

August Service Projects Guide



Knowledge is absolutely priceless because a child's imagination is endless. Let's learn how to impact a child's education.

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Welcome to the July Service Projects Guide!

This guide contains service project ideas that clubs can utilize. We hope clubs will be able to gain some insight on organizations/initiatives and shape that information into a creative service project.



Spotlight on Service Program

The Spotlight on Service Program challenges clubs to participate in the monthly focuses to fulfill our Major Emphasis- Children, Their Future, Our Focus. Create a service project that incorporates the focus for this month. Submit project ideas/reflections to this form to receive recognition. Your project ideas may show up in the upcoming District Newsletter!

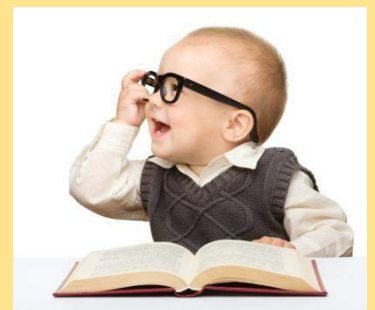


AUGUST FOCUS

The August Focus is...

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

Education creates opportunities upon youth to explore their talents and imaginations. A child's education directly affects our future. The future generation might just be able to cure cancer or create time travel machines. But without basic education support, their opportunity to shine is not possible. This month, our focus is to support children's education in every way possible. Read about some projects ideas that promote our August Focus.



1. Schools Supplies/ Book Drive

Book and/or school supplies drives are great service initiatives because they promote the value of education. Some children and students do not have the money to buy materials to get the proper education they need, but that does not mean they do not deserve it. These events show that these items are worth fundraising for.



Start a Supply/Book Drive on various levels!

- **Community wide**
 - go to local office supply store or community recreational center
 - ask manager/owner if donations may be brought there
 - provide jars or boxes for donations
 - publicize with flyers, over radio, in newspaper, on local city website
 - *all donations go to nearby elementary, middle, or junior high school*
- **School wide**
 - ask for money or supplies donations
 - ask teachers if a jar or box can be set up in their classroom for donations
 - publicize with posters, flyer, announcements, and/or videos
 - *all donations go to nearby elementary, middle, or junior high school*
- **Division wide**
 - propose idea to your respective Lieutenant Governor
 - hold school wide or club drive
 - the club with the most money or pounds of donations is rewarded
 - *all donations go to nearby elementary, middle, or junior high school*

2. Working with Kiwanis Kids/Builders Clubs

Builders Club is our service leadership programs for middle school and elementary school students. The importance of working with these Kiwanis Family clubs is to show these children that education and learning truly is important. We are teaching these children how to help others and how to help themselves. Officer(s) can contact nearby K-kids or Builder's club Faculty advisor and keep in mind that most (if not all) events will need parent permission.



Possible Events

- work with K-kids and/or Builder's club to hold book drive for their school, other schools, or local library
- Key Club donates books to school with K-kids or Builder's club
- work with K-kids and/or Builder's club to hold school supplies drive for other schools
- Key Club donates school supplies to school with K-kids or Builder's club
- provide tutoring programs for K-kids or Builder's club
- have Builder's club and Key Club join to host a book reading at school with K-kids or at public library
- host literacy workshops for K-kids or Builder's club

3. Tutoring Programs



Knowledge is truly powerful. It can help a child feel more confident and prepared for life. So, why not contribute to helping kids find that empowerment and confidence? Show them the importance of education and help them to be self-motivated from the early years!

-Go to your local elementary and middle schools and ask if they have after school programs! Often times, there are many kids here who need help with homework or just need someone to talk to. Make a child's day by helping out!

-No after school programs? Go and ask teachers if they need TA's during a certain period, or if there some children who seem to be struggling and need one-on-one help.

4. Pencils of Promise



Check out the website
to learn the founder's
story and more!

[Pencils of Promise](http://www.pencilsofpromise.org)

Did you know that 250 million kids lack basic education? Not 25, 250, or 250,000. 250 million kids. That's a lot of children who are unable to reach their full potential because of something that they cannot control-the lack of accessible education in their countries. Help make education a reality for these kids!

Get involved:

- Try and start a [leadership council](#) or a [PoP Club!](#) Both of these will help greatly in advocating for education.
- Raise money [to build a school](#), [to fund a scholarship](#), [to help create health programs to keep kids healthy](#), or [to train a teacher](#).

Fundraising Ideas:

- Start an online fundraiser and ask businesses if they would like to donate to this cause. Offer incentives such as the printing of their business name on your shirt!
- Utilize the talents and resources of members! Plan a bake sale, talent show, or silent auction to raise money.
- Go around to classrooms in your school and explain the cause. Ask classmates for any spare change- a little goes a long way!

*For those of you going to college soon or in a few years, maybe your love for this organization will lead you to apply for their [amazing internships!](#) Keep an eye out and don't forget that you can always serve, even in the near future!

Let's work together to give these deserving children an education.

5. Save the Children

Save The Children is the leading independent organization that creates lasting change in the lives of children in need worldwide. It is recognized for its commitment to accountability, innovation and collaboration to help children. Whenever a disaster strikes, Save the Children helps to resolve issues that children have to face every day, such as: poverty, hunger, illiteracy, and disease.

-For less than \$1 a day, you can sponsor a child. Your donation will go towards food and education.



Check out the website to learn more!

[Save the Children](#)

6. YMCA

YMCA's cause is to provide an opportunity for each individual to thrive and learn, no matter what age, income, or background. It is a nonprofit organization for youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. Their Y's cause is Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility. The Y's Beliefs are to work in partnership with others, everyone has potential, active and connected families create a more connected community, a holistic approach to develop and promote a healthy spirit, mind, and body, in a diverse world, and honoring their mission, living their cause, acting within their values, and placing a greater good above self.

Get Involved:

Getting involved with YMCA will be different because for everyone because clubs will need to call their local YMCA center. However, volunteer opportunities could include:

- raising funds so that opportunity is open for everyone
- coaching sport teams
- teaching classes
- extending a hand to help adults,
- advocating the Y's efforts to influence policies and initiatives



Check out the website and strategic plan guide!

[YMCA](#)

[Strategic Plan Guide](#)