

November Service Projects Guide

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A line of Franklin Key Clubbers serve food for Kiwanis members.



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Welcome to the November 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!



NOVEMBER FOCUS

The November Focus is...

Kiwanis Family and Foundation

The Kiwanis Family and Foundation are our support systems in Key Club. We rely on our Kiwanis Foundation and sponsoring Kiwanis club for support. We also work with other Service Leadership Program such as Builder's Club to bring forth young leaders in the community. This month, let's show appreciation for our Kiwanis Family and Foundation through service projects! Keep reading to find some ideas.

1. Project with Kiwanis Family

Reach out to your Kiwanis Family and work with them to plan a wonderful joint service event. Check out each branch of our Kiwanis Family on their websites, and then get to contacting and planning your project!

Below are some **project ideas** your club can perform with your Kiwanis Family.

Food Drive

The club you serve can collect non-perishable foods in one or all three of the following ways: door-to-door, shopping list, or school donations.

1. You and your Kiwanis Family can go door-to-door around your neighborhood asking for non-perishable food items, which it's suggested that you bring a wagon, stroller, or car to carry the canned goods.
2. Contact a nearby grocery store so you and your Kiwanis Family may stand outside with a grocery list of non-perishable food items and pass them out to incoming customers asking for donations.
3. Talk to school Activities Directors so you may host a food drive at yours or other schools, then contact all teachers and see who would like a food donation box in their room, and publicize the food drive to the school so all students can donate.

Learn about the Kiwanis Family branches here

[Kiwanis Family](#)



Caring with Crafts

This is a service project where both Kiwanis and Key clubs work together to fundraiser for yarn, knitting, or looming supplies.

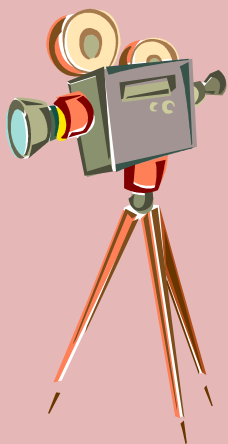
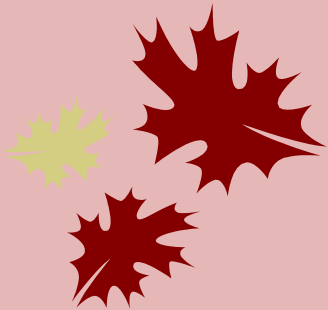
Following the fundraiser, is a day dedicated to working together and creating hats for hospitals. Do not feel limited to hats, any crafts would be much appreciated by hospital patients.

Learn more about Open Books here

[Open Books](#)

Book Drive

Inspire and encourage the love of reading by donating books! Set a date for collection, and make sure to have enough time to advertise the event. Ask a local coffee shop or store if they can sponsor any snacks or little gifts for those who donate books. Then, have members, boxes, and a responsible adult help you to pack the books away and send it to an organization like Open Books.



PTP Fundraisers

Support the Kiwanis Family and Foundation by fundraising for the Pediatric Trauma Program.

1. Fall Festival

Autumn is the time to hold a Fall Carnival! You can coordinate with your local Elementary schools to host a carnival. You can also contact local organizations, businesses, or Kiwanis clubs to ask for donations for food, prizes, or possibly games. However, for most of the games you should let Key Clubbers and other Kiwanis family members brainstorm booth ideas, assemble into groups for each booth, find supplies, and then run the booths. Booths can range from darts, to ring toss, to fish toss. Not only can you have games, but you can sell food, have music, and even a raffle.

2. Bunco Night

Bunco games are very popular among Kiwanis members. What a way to raise money for PTP, have fun, and BOND with your Kiwanis Family! Bunco is an easy dice game for all ages. Contact your local Community Recreation Center to hold the event, have members donate supplies, and publicize to your school, community, and of course your local Kiwanis members. Admission, raffle tickets, snacks, and beverages can all be sold. Another way to encourage attendance would be to ask businesses for donations so you may have something as a prize for the winner.

For more information on how to play Bunco click here: <http://www.wikihow.com/Play-Bunco>

3. Spaghetti Dinner

Bring the community together and host a spaghetti dinner at your local Community Recreation Center. Spaghetti is a low-cost meal that's easy to make in large amounts, and everyone loves it! In order to make it even less inexpensive have members donate food and supplies. With inexpensive tickets, raffle tickets for sale, and Kiwanis Family as staff this could easily be a successful fundraiser.

4. Movie Night

What is better than spending the evening with your friends watching a movie? Spending it with all your Kiwanis Family! Host a movie night in a teacher's classroom or your school's theatre on a Friday night, showing a classic Disney movie for all to watch. And instead of charging admission you could sell small snacks, like water, popcorn, candy, etc. Publicize it to all of your school and Kiwanis Family.

2. Kiwanis Takeover

What is a Kiwanis Takeover?

Kiwanis Takeover is where the club you serve could “take over” a Kiwanis meeting. Your club could create the agenda, lead the meeting, and add fun incentives for the meeting. Kiwanis Take Over could also be a great way to auction off Gift Baskets and items to raise money for your home club or one of our preferred charities.

How To Get Involved:

1. Email or call your sponsoring Kiwanis club
2. Ask about doing a Take-Over
3. Start planning the agenda with the club you serve
4. Add fun events/incentives that members and Kiwanis members could do together
5. Arrive to the takeover early to prepare for the meeting
6. Get to know your sponsoring Kiwanis club, and let them know how you are doing
7. Add a little fundraiser by auctioning off gift baskets
8. Thank your sponsoring Kiwanis club for their support!



REFLECTION: “Today was an amazing day. We had a Kiwanis Takeover and raised money for our home club. But more importantly we got to interact with the Folsom Kiwanis Club. At this meeting I felt like a family with inspiring stories to tell each other. Kiwanis members are so kind, respectful, and full of enthusiasm. I hope that when I become older I will have that same attitude and keep serving the community.”

–Catherine Kim | Folsom | D44S

3. Kiwanis Dinner



Plan a Thanksgiving-style dinner for your Kiwanis Family this season! Plan the event with each branch of the K-Family and find food sponsors. Invite club members from all branches and ask Key Club members to cook and serve food. A suggestion to have the whole family participate in the dinner is to have activities for each branch—perhaps K-Kids could set/decorate the table, Builder's Club could serve the food, Key Club could entertain, etc.

This would be a great way to show appreciation and support for your K-family and a wonderful way to celebrate this fall season.

REMINDER: After performing your service projects, don't forget to send in your project reflections! Fill out the form here: [Project Reflection Form](#)

4. Thank You Notes



Thank someone today for the service they have done, whether it's for your country, community or Key Club! We should especially thank our sponsoring Kiwanis clubs because they are a source of constant support, so make sure to express your gratitude this season.

And let's not forget about the veterans who are fighting for us. Get some Key Club members together and write thank you cards and notes to our loving veterans!

Learn more about organizations that will send your cards to veterans here

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**Have a great time fulfilling this month's focus:
Kiwanis Family and Foundation!**