

100 SERVICE IDEAS IN 2026

Community service ideas for kids

Make cards for orphans at our mission partner Psalm 82:3 in Liberia.
Offer to read to seniors at our mission partner Mason Christian Village.
Volunteer to help an elderly neighbor with chores.
Donate gently used clothes/toys to charity.
Pick up litter at a local park.
Write cards to military service members.
Make a "New to Our School" guidebook for new kids at school.
Take cookies to local firehouse and police department.
Offer water bottles and snacks to sanitation workers.
Choose foods at the grocery store to donate to our mission partner Milford Miami Ministry.
Make "You ARE AWESOME!" cards and give them to cashiers, baristas, delivery people, or anyone else you meet.
Give a thank-you note with gift card to your mail carrier.
Make cardboard signs with encouraging messages and welcome people home at the end of the day in your neighborhood.
Host a lemonade/hot chocolate stand for a special cause like our mission partner Happy Church.
Invite someone new to play during recess.
Participate in a local charity walk.
Decorate placemats for Meals on Wheels.
Wash a neighbor's car for free.
Take flowers to a widow or single mom.
Recycle bottles and donate the proceeds to church..
Donate hair to an organization that makes wigs for kids who have cancer.
Greet new neighbors with a gift package filled with local goods and a note.

Community service ideas for teens

Rake leaves or shovel snow for a neighbor.
Tend to a neighborhood garden.
Tutor elementary school children in your neighborhood.
Be a "grand-friend" to a senior in your area.
Host a bake sale or hot chocolate stand to help raise money for camp this summer.
Offer to read books/magazine articles to seniors at our mission partner Mason Christian Village.
Create craft kits or activity sets for kids in hospitals or homeless shelters.
Volunteer for kids ministry at church.

Serve or prepare food at a soup kitchen.
Run a local non-profit or community organization's social media accounts.
Organize a walk or run for charity.
Become a conversation volunteer for people learning English.
Host a group clean-up day at a park or beach.
Give out baked goods with invites to church in the lobby of a hospital.
Clean up and help maintain a local hiking trail.
Sign up to volunteer at Milford Miami Ministry to help stock shelves.
Perform live music at a senior center (or anywhere else that would appreciate it).
Host a school campus clean-up day.
Teach computer skills to seniors.
Invite a student sitting alone at lunch to sit with you.
Paint a mural (with permission!) or beautify a public space.
Write encouragement notes to teens at our mission partner Happy Church.
Coach a youth sports team.
Babysit for a neighbor in need.
Sell unwanted clothes/shoes/coats and donate the money to help with benevolent care at church.

Community service ideas for adults

Deliver meals for Meals on Wheels.
Volunteer to help sort donations at our mission partner Milford Miami Ministry.
Become a mentor to a student or help in the kitchen for our Whiz Kids program.
Deliver groceries to someone in need.
Become CPR certified.
Volunteer as a poll worker on election day.
Establish a day of service at your workplace.
Jump in and volunteer on a long-term basis here at Eastside.
Offer job interview training at a community center.
Start a neighborhood welcome committee.
Bring surplus food donations from local restaurants and grocers to a nearby food bank.
Take weekly walks in your neighborhood and make it a goal to meet someone new each time.
Teach an ESL class at a local school or library.
Help neighbors clean up after a natural disaster or storm.
Drive seniors to doctors appointments.
Host a coat drive at your workplace or a local business.
Volunteer for a reading program for kids at your local library.
Assemble bags of socks, snacks, and other essentials to give to the homeless.
Teach a class at a community center.

Quilt or knit blankets for local hospitals, NICUs, or hospice centers.
Foster a cat or dog.
Help train a service dog.

Virtual community service ideas

Read books with a buddy on StoriiTime.
Start a Pay It Forward or Buy Nothing group for your neighborhood on Facebook.
Volunteer as a crisis counselor for a crisis hotline.
Help people who are blind or have low vision via video chat using Be My Eyes.
Become a translator for important causes through Translators Without Borders.
Start a positive-news-only Instagram account for people in your community.
Conduct mock interviews on video chat.
Convert public domain books into ebooks with Distributed Proofreaders.
Use your professional skills to help a non-profit through Catch a Fire.
Become an online volunteer listener through 7Cups.
Tutor students on video chat.
Help others at work by becoming a peer counselor with *Empower Work*.
Archive historical documents for the Smithsonian Institute.
Host a donations drive on Facebook for your birthday.
Drop off baked goods for teachers and staff at local school once a month.
Support victims of sexual assault by becoming a crisis counselor with *RAINN*.
Teach a skill to a local Girl or Boy Scouts group on video chat.
Volunteer to be a room host for our online Sunday services.
Write positive reviews to help local businesses.
Write supportive messages to healthcare workers.
Become an adoption photographer for *Together We Rise*