



Passion into Action: Creating Opportunities to Serve

Working with an organization, school, or agency is a great way to plug into your community and do something that will make a real impact. Sometimes, though, all it takes is an idea, some motivation, and a few friends, family members, or even strangers working together.

Here are a few suggestions for service activities related to different issue areas.

Animals	Collect food and supplies for an animal shelter.
Education	Tutor children at a local school.
Environment/ conservation	Clean up a neighborhood park.
Homelessness	Work with Habitat for Humanity to transform and revitalize a neighborhood.
People with disabilities	Help at a therapeutic riding stable.
Seniors	Start a visitation program at a nursing home or assisted living center.
Women	Begin a peer education program for at-risk young women.

If you have personal or professional skills that you want to share with others, look for service opportunities where you can use them. Here are a few examples you might consider:

Art	Teach art classes at a community center.
Computer Science	Build a Web site for a community organization or create a virtual mentoring program.
English	Write grants for a nonprofit organization or tutor children.
Journalism	Publish a newsletter to support neighborhood initiatives or take photos of an event.
Landscape Architecture	Design landscaping for a senior center.

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Brainstorm ideas for projects or service activities related to your passion areas:

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