

Take Action This Summer... Make a Difference!

1. Bake a batch of cookies to take to our local fire department & police station to say "thank you"!
2. Volunteer to sort food for a local food pantry.
3. Write a thank you note to an American soldier. Contact us at info@givingtreefamilies.org to find out where you can send your note.
4. Heading to a local park or for a walk around the neighborhood? Grab a trash bag and collect trash along the way.
5. Bring a smile to an elderly person. Go to www.colorasmile.org, print out a coloring page and decorate it with your own style. Mail the pages in and your artwork will be distributed to nursing home residents and Meals on Wheels recipients.
6. Bring out your inner artist! Decorate Hugs & Smiles Cards for residents of local assisted living facilities. Go to <http://givingtreefamilies.org/get-involved/project-parties/hugs-smiles-note-cards/> for more information.
7. Create Sock Rolls for the homeless. Reach out to us or go to our website at <http://givingtreefamilies.org/get-involved/project-parties/sock-n-snack-rolls/>
8. Help the earth! Make sure everyone in your house is turning off the lights, recycling and conserving water.
9. Go through your toys and books. Maybe there are items you don't play with anymore that you could donate to children in need.
10. Collect old towels (check with mom and dad first) and donate them to our local SPCA. Maybe include some homemade treats for the dogs and cats of the shelter! Visit <http://allrecipes.com/recipe/dog-treats-i/> for a recipe for a special dog treat.
11. Visit someone who lives alone. Just an hour out of your day can brighten the spirits!
12. Use some of your allowance to buy some canned goods (or hold your own collection) and take them to a local shelter. Places like <http://www.community-cupboard.org/> in Ambler or www.mannaonmain.org in Lansdale are always in need of donations.
13. Need more ideas? Check out www.givingtreefamilies.org for more ideas!



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