

# Spreading Happiness for National Assisted Living Week



1. Write a **note of gratitude** to the staff of an assisted living facility as a thank you for their care and dedication to the residents.
2. Create a pack of **Hugs & Smiles Notecards** for a resident.
3. Create a gift of a **Flower Pot** to cheer the residents.
4. Create a **handmade card** to cheer up a resident. Especially with all that is happening in the world right now, with the pandemic putting a hold on all visitation... the residents are probably pretty lonely. A card of cheer will bring lots of smiles and spread much joy!

## The following are ideas that need some creativity with COVID restrictions in place:

5. Maybe there is an opportunity for you to **help the residents with technology or social media** to connect with their family members.
6. Perhaps consider an intergenerational **service project** with your kids and the residents. (We have some great ideas here at The Giving Tree! Reach out if you would like to learn more!)
7. Call a local Assisted Living Center to schedule an appropriate time to **visit with the residents**.
  - a. Play a game with them (BINGO is always a big hit!)
  - b. Share a talent (Play an instrument or read poetry)
  - c. Holding conversation (Have children ask them questions about when they were young. Favorite holidays, toys, memories, etc. Do they have common interest? Sports? Pets?)

*\* The Giving Tree can provide materials for the Hugs & Smiles Notecards, 'thinking of you' construction paper cards and the Flowerpots. Check out our website for more information. Contact us via email with questions or to schedule your project.*



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