30 Ways to Make a Difference in Your Community

1. Help prepare/serve a meal at a homeless shelter
2. Gather clothing from your neighbours and donate it to a local shelter
3. Make “I Care” kits with combs, toothbrushes, shampoo for the homeless
4. Pack and hand out food at a local food bank
5. Visit senior citizens at a nursing home
6. Rake leaves, shovel snow, clean gutters or wash windows for a senior
7. Organize a canned food drive
8. Clean up a vacant lot or park
9. Plant flowers/trees in public areas that could use some colour
10. Contact your local political representative about key issues for youth
11. Organize a public issues forum for your neighbourhood
12. Recycle
13. Clean up litter along a river, beach, or in a park
14. Contact your corps officer for service opportunities
15. Volunteer at a local animal shelter
16. Walk a neighbour’s dog or pet sit while they are on vacation
17. Teach Sunday school
18. Volunteer at your local youth centre
19. Participate in a marathon to support a charity
20. Volunteer at your local hospital
21. Donate books to your local library
22. Donate clothes to a local thrift store
23. Give up your seat on the bus or train to someone
24. Donate your old electronics to a student who doesn’t have
25. Befriend a new student or neighbour
26. Deliver a meal to someone is unable to leave their home
27. Adopt a pet from the humane society
28. Help teach a younger child to read
29. Bake cookies and bring them to your local fire hall or police station
30. Bring toys to children in the cancer ward of a hospital