

IDEAS FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

SAFETY - Your safety is of the utmost importance. Always volunteer with a friend or family member, and only if you are familiar with the organization.

Community service is any activity benefiting those outside of your immediate family. Please conduct yourselves professionally and courteously as you represent both our school and National Junior Honor Society. Ask yourself these questions:

- Does the service benefit someone in the community or the community at large?
- Is the action one that benefits those outside of my family in any way?
- Am I doing it without compensation or payment?

If the answer to the above questions is yes, then it is community service!!

I encourage you to reach out to local groups and let them know you want to volunteer. The list below is just a few examples of what I have seen other students do over the years, but there are so many more opportunities. These are simply ideas and are not managed by the chapter sponsors.

You will need to work directly with these organizations, but the time you use to complete these projects will count as service hours. Some organizations have age restrictions, but are usually willing to allow students to work under a parent's supervision.

- Pick-up trash through your neighborhood when you go on a walk (please use gloves and/or a trash grabber)
- Love for our Elders - <https://loveforourelers.org>
- Causes such as Relay for Life, the American Cancer Society, etc.
- Running in a race that raises money for non-profits.
- Participate in a race that raises money for charity (Turkey Trot, Cowtown, etc.)
- Homeless shelters or soup kitchens (usually require a parent)
- Tarrant Area Food Bank
- Live Thankfully has lots of events you can join (visit their website)
- Teachers
- Hospitals
- Churches
- YMCA
- Volunteering at veteran events
- Assist a coach working with young athletes
- Volunteer at concession stands at area youth associations, little leagues, or even BMHS.
- Providing babysitting service for free (not for family)
- Community wide trash collection and recycling
- Serving in animal shelters and rescue operations
- Performing service with other clubs and organizations such as the scouts, JCC, etc.
- Greeting at school or community event
- Crochet beanies for cancer patients and donate to area treatment centers such as Cooks Children, Texas Oncology, etc.
- Project Linus (visit website)
- Wellman Project (with parent)
- Concession stands for a youth association or booster organization (with parent)