



Project Ideas

Here are some of the projects completed during previous **Day of Caring** celebrations.

Please use this list as a **as a starter** for generating your own ideas .

- Paint a house or deck
- Take a group of kids to a park for picnic and games
- Build a project – birdhouses, kites, etc.
- Plant flowers in a flower bed
- Landscaping
- Build a play area for children
- Seal coat a blacktop parking lot
- Till a garden plot
- Remodel your agency space
- Sew curtains or other items
- Plan activity for adults and children
- Cook, set up and serve a picnic at community food site
- Lay brick or gravel path
- Construct a bookshelf or holder for supplies
- Scrape, prime and paint a building
- Move furniture
- Haul boxes
- Assist in daily programming at youth center
- Assist with data entry
- Organize games for kids
- Put up sheetrock/insulation
- Spring cleaning – inside and out!!
- Organize a poster or coloring contest
- Sort clothing or other items
- Computer training
- Repackage bulk items
- Organize a photo library or file system
- Artistic painting projects

PLEASE NOTE: For those who simply don't think they have a project, we've got just what you're looking for. Following are a few "out of the ordinary" suggestions. Remember, the possibilities are endless – CHALLENGE YOUR CREATIVITY! There must be something that you (or your clients) can use.

- Ask for help with filing
- Day camp/carnival/project (hands on with kids)
- Collate and put packets together
- Ping pong/pool tournament
- Assemble photos into albums
- Business host agency group – "off site field trip"
- Create a display
- Paint a mural in a children's area
- Networking – agency kids/clients team up with
- Read to kids
- Take pictures at agencies for clients
- Put together family grab bags (family games, etc)
- "Giggle Bags"
- Create a "project" that enables participants to "experience" what you do. See UW \$\$ at work.

BIG HIT LAST YEAR FOR THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE ON-SITE PROJECTS –

- "Home Warming Basket" or "School Bag Drive" -- Businesses can run an "internal" **Day of Caring** by encouraging all employees to contribute. Finished "baskets" could be delivered to agency office.
- Think about what your agency/clients need and create a "collection project" for this year's **Day of Caring**.



Whether your project is large or small, **Day of Caring** is an opportunity for you to "get things done" while enjoying the company of others in your community. It's also a great way for people to "get the big picture" and experience what your agency contributes to this community. Don't miss out. Be creative. Send in a project proposal today!

For more information, contact United Way of Greater Duluth at 218.726.4794.