

Ideas for Service Projects and Opportunities

Environmentally Oriented:

- Phones for Phunds
- MT Recovery of ink cartridges
- Fish drain painting
- Tree planting
- Have a clean up at your local park, a river or beach (use this as a bridging event: pair Sparks with Guides or Pathfinders for fun and safety reasons).

Interesting and Different:

- Indoor composter using worms and donate to a child care centre
- Blood Drive for Guiders and their family and friends
- SPCA, food drive for SPCA, making dog treats, dog walking
- Book drive for Literacy
- Make soup for soup kitchen
- Supply school supplies to local schools where needed
- Toiletry bags for Hospice or shelters
- Health and Hygiene kits for Red Cross
- "Bonnetts for Babies" learn to crochet or knit

Long Term Commitments:

- Adopt a road or section of trail
- Collect: stamps, pop tin rings, soup can labels, etc.
- Work at a soup kitchen for a year
- Creating a "Hike for Hunger" event
- Knit or crochet Teddy Bears for kids

Traditional Service Projects:

- Visit seniors and children in hospitals – please remember to spread your visits out over the Guiding year (not just Christmas)
- Plant flowers or a garden at your local meeting place, at a Neighbourhood House or at a seniors' residence.

Short Term Opportunities for Service to Partner or Help a Specific Group or Interest:

- BC Girl Guides Hike for Hunger
- Telethon - answering pledge telephones
- Coat checking or face painting for community events
- Babysitting for a Guiding event or meeting
- Participate or volunteer in a walk or a run that means something to your girl's personally (Heart and Stroke Foundation, Hip Hip Hooray, Partnership Walk, Fun Run, etc.)
- Hop-a-Thon for Muscular Dystrophy
- Veterans Canada (Candle Light Tribute with Veteran's Affairs – girls and Guiders set up for and participated in ceremony that included candles burning all night in Veteran's Cemetery, God's Acre)
- Poppy Sales for the Canadian Legion, laying wreaths at Remembrance Day Ceremonies, serving refreshments
- Arthritis Society (Christmas Gift Wrap and Tree Decorating, help write Christmas cards)
- Cancer Society (Breast Cancer, Run for the Cure, serving refreshments at runs for girl and adult participants, daffodil sales for the Canadian Cancer Society)

