KIWANIS FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT GUIDE

CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL FLORIDA DISTRICT

**Kiwanis Family Branches**

**KIWANIS KIDS**
Kiwanis Kids is the elementary school level service organization of Kiwanis and works with "student leaders" to make up the world's largest global elementary service organization of over 42,000 members.


**BUILDERS CLUB**
Builders Club is the middle school level service organization of Kiwanis and works with student leaders develop leadership skills. Builders Club makes up the world's largest global middle school and junior high service organization with over 45,000 members.

Please visit https://www.buildersclub.org/Home.aspx for more information.

**KEY CLUB**
Key Club is the high school level service organization of Kiwanis. Key Club is built on the pillars of leadership, character building, caring, and inclusiveness. Key Club makes up the world's largest global high school service organization with over 276,000 members.

Please visit https://www.keyclub.org/ for more information.

**CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL**
CKI is the collegiate service organization of Kiwanis. CKI is built on service, leadership, and fellowship. CKI makes up the world's largest global student led collegiate service organization with over 13,000 members.

Please visit https://www.circlek.org/ for more information.

**KIWANIS**
Kiwanis is an international club focused on service. Kiwanis has over 600,000 members spread across 80 countries. The Kiwanis Family is comprised of several Kiwanis Family Branches.

Please visit https://www.kiwanis.org/home?gclid=Cj0KCQjwlN32BRCCARIsADZ-J4uVn_d12v0nj_tCs_gC5rZge1mpyBlvevFQYq59wKPzn3kedG9wbG0aAi8oEALw_wcB for more information.

**AKTION CLUB**
Aktion Club has over 12,000 members worldwide and is the only service organization for adults with disabilities.

Please visit https://aktionclub.org/Home.aspx for more information.
HOW TO WORK WITH YOUTH

Kiwanis Kids and Builders Club members are especially young. Work with the advisors and adults around them to recognize the needs of each individual group of students. Remember younger kids require a greater level of patience and may require in depth explanations to complete tasks. Take note of boundaries but work with kids to develop their leadership and service skills. For Key Club it is important to note that though many are extremely mature, many are still under the age of 18 so work with their advisors and adults as well to develop plans on how to teach leadership while incorporating them into projects and events. Please refer to Youth Protection Guidelines prior to working with Kiwanis Youth.

Check out https://www.kiwanis.org/clubs/member-resources/training/risk-management/youth-protection for resources, training, and an in depth explanation of the guidelines regarding working with youth.

QUICK TIPS

REMEMBER THEY ARE UNDER THE AGE OF 18

BE KIND AND PATIENT

WORK WITH THE ADULTS AROUND THEM AS WELL
KIWANIS KIDS

PENNY DRIVE
Collect pennies and coins from around the school and community throughout the year. By the end of the year, the money can be donated to a charitable cause of choice.

WRITE CARDS FOR RETIREMENT HOMES
Draw and design cards to give to elders at retirement centers with nice notes. Can be done during holidays as well.

BOOK DRIVE
Host a book drive at the school by collecting gently used books students want to donate and donate them to kids in need.

HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE
Collect new and unused toys from the school to donate to kids in need during the holiday season!

DOG TOYS
Collect old shirts and create/braid them into dog toys. The dog toys can be donated to local animal shelters. Call and check with shelters to see what they collect and do not collect.

TIME CAPSULES AND MEMORY BOXES
Create a box full of good memories from Kiwanis Kids events and meetings for students to look back on - encouraging kindness and service!

NO SEW BLANKETS
Create no sew blankets together as a class and donate them to hospitals and shelters. Great project for the winter time.

HOST A MINGLING
Reach out to local Kiwanis Branches and host an event to meet one another and talk. Brainstorm projects everyone can participate in and volunteer at.
Painting Parking Spots
Help the school by parking teacher and staff parking spots in school colors (with approval of course)!

Creating a Green School
Host a fundraiser to collect money to buy recycling bins to distribute to schools. Students can also create bags out of old shirts that teachers can use as recycling bins!

School Events
Many schools host book or science nights in which members can help attend to set up, distribute food, or clean up amongst other things!

Planting Trees
Come together with classmates to plant trees and beautify the school! This is a great idea for Earth Day and other days of the year.

Car Wash
Come together and host a car wash in the community. Money can be used for the club or other charitable expenses!

Back to School Supplies
Host a back to school drive and collect school supplies. Fill backpacks with these supplies and donate them to kids in need.

Host a Literacy Night
Come together with a Builders Club to host a literacy night at their school to encourage education, reading, and of course, literacy! Funds from the event can be used for charity.

Senior Game Night
Attend a local retirement home and play games with the residents. Many host bingo nights or plan your own event!
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LETTERS TO SOLDIERS
This is a super popular Divisional Council Meeting idea for Key Club. Students can create and design their own cards and have it sent to soldiers.

BLOOD DRIVE
Organize and promote a blood drive within the high schools for a charitable cause.

ZONE RALLIES
-Key Clubbers host multiple zone and divisional rallies and meetings throughout the year. CKI members can give presentations on CKI and help set up.

GIFT WRAPPING
Local malls host gift wrapping events during holidays. Money raised can be used for a charitable cause.

SOUP KITCHEN
Serve food with other Kiwanis Family branches at local shelters and soup kitchens.

PAINT RECYCLING BINS
Paint recycling bins around the community to draw attention to recycling and engage the community with its appeal.

TRUNK OR TREAT
Work with other Kiwanis branches to decorate car trunks during Halloween and hand out candy! The money raised can be donated to various causes such as UNICEF or other organizations!

HOSPITAL SOCKS
Decorate socks with fabric paints to create a nonslip cozy pair of socks that can be donated to hospitals.
ADOPT A HIGHWAY
Cities and counties host their own adopt a highway programs in which a group will adopt a certain area and will be responsible in keeping it clean and welcoming!

REPAINT THE COMMUNITY
Lots of local organizations need help repainting buildings, cleaning the exterior, and repainting parking spots. Reach out to places such as local small museums and community centers to ask how your club can help!

COLLECT TOILETRIES
Collect travel sized toiletries and supplies for hotels and donate them to shelters. Easy and quick service project to do while travelling and at meetings.

SPONSOR A RUN
Work with Kiwanis branches in the area to host a Kiwanis 5K or any kind of race. Money collected can be used for a charitable cause.

ANIMAL SHELTERS
There are various ways to help an animal shelter! This can include making dog toys, cleaning crates, walking the animals, and feeding them! You can also organize a program to help adopt out the animals at local events and places.

CARE AND TOOL KITS
Donate supplies and create kits of toothbrushes, toothpastes, and soaps (etc) and assemble small care kits to donate to shelters.

SENIOR EVENT NIGHT
Decorate a senior living center and host events such as prom, game night, or a dinner event! Good project idea for Key Club and Kiwanis as well as a joint Kiwanis Family event.

TUTORING
Serve as a tutor/advisor for the college process. College advising is useful for Key Clubbers and any kind of tutoring can be tailored for anything. These could be workshops or math help.
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HOST LARGE SCALE CHARITY DRIVES AROUND VARIOUS HOLIDAYS OR FOR SHELTERS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. THESE CAN INCLUDE FOOD, SCHOOL SUPPLIES, OR FEMININE PRODUCTS FOR A WOMEN’S SHELTER.

SUPPLY DRIVES

Each Kiwanis club hosts a multitude of various service projects. Reach out and ask if you can help. Kiwanis clubs are known to host walks and other similar events - there are lots of opportunities to volunteer!

PROJECTS KIWANIS HOSTS

• Search for a local project and come together with your Kiwanis Club to help build various habitats.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The entire Kiwanis Family can come together to contribute. Those under 18 will assemble bags and those over 18 aid in distribution. School supplies, clothes, and other items are collected and distributed to those in need. Done throughout the FL District.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Kiwanis clubs often host their own golf tournaments. CKI members can be used to drive golf carts while other branches can be involved with the set up process.

GOLF TOURNAMENTS

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SERVICE PARTNERSHIP

Work with a Kiwanis Family partnered organization such as the Children’s Miracle Network to collectively aid in a readily available and planned service project.
# Aktion Club

## PLANTING TREES/LANDSCAPING
Helping the environment does not have to be reserved only for Earth Day! Get together and plant trees at local parks and schools to help the environment. Further, the service project can include landscaping the community or the yards of those that cannot do it themselves!

## VISIT NURSING HOMES
Nursing homes typically have a multitude of volunteer opportunities for those that want to help out! This can include service just as simple as playing bingo with the elderly or helping set up for dinner service!

## HOLIDAY BASKETS
Host a drive to collect various non-perishable food items and assemble boxes of food to distribute to those that need it. Can be done around Thanksgiving, Christmas, and other notable holidays! This idea couples both a food drive and hands on service project!

## SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING
Every year Salvation Army hosts a bell ringing outside of retail and wholesale stores to collect money. During the holiday seasons ringing the bell can be turned into a friendly competition with shifts to see who can collect the most money for Salvation Army!

## VOTING REGISTRATION
Aid individuals in registering to vote at college campuses and government buildings.

## MAKE & SELL HOLIDAY SUPPLIES
During holidays such as Easter and Christmas, cards, baskets, and ornaments can be handmade and sold as a fundraising event for the Kiwanis Family/a charitable cause of choice!
DIGITAL SERVICE IDEAS

ONLINE MEETING
Use this time to plan for other service events and use it as an opportunity to connect multiple Kiwanis Family Branches to connect and plan service events.

CRISIS TEXT LINE
Lots of crisis text line services are looking for volunteers to do various tasks. Utilize time spent at home with this great way to give back to the community. Counties usually have their own crisis services.

THE SMITHSONIAN
Work for the Smithsonian museums to transcribe old and historical documents. There are various transcriptions opportunities.

ISOLATION LETTERS
Letters Against Isolation - volunteers can sign up to write letters and make cards for senior citizens in senior living facilities.

TED TRANSLATOR
Work as a translator to title various TEDTalks in various languages to help expand the scope of knowledge and help increase accessibility of educational resources.

RAISE MONEY
There are multiple ways to host digital charities for various causes. The money can be used for the Kiwanis Family or other charitable partners.

ADOPT A BUDDY
There are many adopt a buddy/senior programs. Buddy up with someone and serve as their pen pal and friend! Video call, write letters, and send messages to keep spirits high during isolation.
Contact Information

How to Reach Us

Email us at: kfamily@floridacirclek.org

Follow us on Instagram: @floridacirclek

Like us on Facebook at: Florida District of Circle K International

Follow us on Twitter: @floridacirclek

Visit us at: floridacirclek.org

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