

EXAMPLES OF YOUNG PEOPLE TAKING ACTION

Young people all around the country are taking action. Below are some examples of how they are tackling issues in their communities!

HOMELESSNESS

- A group of homeless children ages 3-13 from their local shelter were taken out for a “fun day” to an interactive children’s museum and out for a picnic.
- Visits were made to local homeless shelters where homeless individuals were interviewed. The stories will be compiled into some sort of publication for the community to educate the public about the issue of homelessness.
- A mini-Olympics was organized for foster children. The highlight was the reunion of three siblings, ages 2, 4, and 6.

HUNGER

- A scavenger hunt food drive was conducted for a local soup kitchen and food pantry. Volunteers went door to door asking for specific food donations detailed on a scavenger hunt list.
- Participants volunteered at their local food network and prepared emergency food boxes, labeled hundreds of cans, and restocked and reorganized the store.

TEEN PREGNANCY

- A conference was organized at a local high school for teen mothers. Speakers and workshops explored the responsibilities and burdens of teen parenting. Child care was also provided.

RAISING MONEY FOR YOUR FAVORITE CHARITY

- A car wash was held and the money was donated to the local Ronald McDonald House.

CREATING SAFE PLACES

- A school beautification project was conducted and participants painted and decorated some of their high school classrooms.
- A high school sports field was cleaned up as well as a nearby basketball court frequented by high school students.
- Participants joined the Cardiff Chamber of Commerce in a clean up of Cardiff Creek. The creek had been overgrown and had become a magnet for drug dealers.