# **One Hundred Service Ideas**

#### Diabetes

- 1. Organize a "Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness" event.
- 2. Organize a community support group for parents of children with diabetes.
- 3. Volunteer to serve at a children's diabetes camp.
- 4. Invite a healthcare professional to speak about diabetes at your club or district meeting.
- 5. Partner with local healthcare providers to organize diabetes & vision screenings.
- 6. Distribute educational resources to increase diabetes awareness at a community health fair.
- 7. Organize a walking club for seniors with diabetes.
- 8. Provide a diabetes magazine subscription to your local library.
- 9. Sponsor a child in need to attend diabetes camp.
- 10. Donate diabetes books to your library with a bookplate to identify your club's donation.
- 11. Work with your local school to invite a health care professional to speak about diabetes.
- 12. Post monthly articles about diabetes on your club or district website.
- 13. Promote diabetes prevention through a radio public service announcement.
- 14. Sponsor a healthy cooking demonstration for people with diabetes.
- 15. Organize a school or community vegetable garden to encourage healthy eating.
- 16. Work with a community podiatrist or foot care specialist to provide foot screenings.
- 17. Partner with your local diabetes organization to offer programs & materials.
- Promote community resources and online materials from LCI partners NDEP, DECA & IDF.
- 19. Promote the importance of an annual dilated eye exam to detect diabetic eye disease.
- 20. Provide educational materials to schools & physician offices.

## Environment

- 21. Plant trees with the advice of a local environment organization on the best locations and varieties.
- 22. Clean up a beach, community space or roadside area monthly as a club.
- 23. Hold an environment-themed photo contest at a school. Plant a tree or another green form of recognition to honor the winner.
- 24. Challenge all Lions in your club or district to add one green habit to their daily lives.

- 25. Recognize a local organization or community leader for environmental conservation work.
- 26. Volunteer with your local park service to maintain trails. Help more people access and enjoy nature!
- 27. Commit to "Meatless Mondays" or not eating meat one day each week.
- 28. Collect used cellphones and donate them to individuals in need.
- 29. Lead an after-school nature walk.
- Survey homes and community areas for leaks in sinks, communal spigots or water fountains. Contact relevant officials for repairs.
- 31. Work with city officials to paint "no dumping" signs near road drainage areas.
- 32. Identify where to recycle toxic items and share the collection schedule.
- 33. Organize a mural competition to promote environmental awareness. Paint the mural in a prominent community location.
- 34. Implement a recycling drive where people donate gently-used items to charity organizations.
- 35. Develop a demonstration garden or landscaping plot using native plant species to restore the habitat and conserve water.
- 36. Sponsor a training program for farmers on how to make and use organic fertilizers and pesticides.
- 37. Produce a monthly nature program on a local public radio station.
- Partner with a local carpenter to build rain barrels.
  Hold a training session with community members to promote using them for watering and irrigation.
- 39. Organize an alternative transportation incentive program to encourage walking, biking, public transportation and carpooling.
- 40. Establish a school garden and composting program to improve school meals & reduce waste.

#### 🍯 Hunger

- 41. Volunteer to deliver prepared meals to those who are elderly or visually impaired.
- 42. Organize a program at a local school to provide healthy, nutritious meals.
- 43. Prepare food baskets for families in need.
- 44. Volunteer at a soup kitchen or homeless shelter.
- 45. Take families in need shopping for fruits and vegetables.
- 46. Organize an event to benefit a food bank in your community; use cans of food as admission.
- 47. Hold a hunger walk and use proceeds to buy food for a children's center or a homeless shelter.
- 48. Create a cookbook of inexpensive, easy recipes.

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- 49. Create healthy snack packages to be distributed to children in need.
- 50. Partner with local restaurants or food markets to deliver donations to a shelter.
- 51. Start a food co-operative to serve as a resource for healthy food at a more affordable price.
- 52. Collect infant formula and baby food for an organization serving young mothers at risk.
- 53. Work with healthcare professionals to provide free classes on nutrition & food preparation.
- 54. Provide fruits and vegetables as a healthy snack for children in childcare facilities.
- 55. Provide transportation for those who are elderly or visually impaired so they can shop for food.
- 56. Teach children to bake a loaf of bread they can take home to their family.
- 57. Invite a local food bank representative to speak at a club or district meeting.
- 58. Provide needy children with backpacks supplied with food for when school is not in session.
- 59. Host a picnic or BBQ at a park for the community.
- 60. Establish a community vegetable garden where local residents can grow their own food.

#### 🥑 Vision

- 61. Organize a braille, large print and audio book collection to benefit a library or senior center.
- 62. Volunteer to create audio recordings of books & periodicals.
- 63. Work with local eye care professionals to provide community vision screenings.
- 64. Sponsor a World Sight Day event.
- 65. Sponsor visually impaired students through camps, contests or other activities.
- 66. Create a community arts program for children and adults who are blind or visually impaired.
- 67. Collaborate with an eye bank to promote the importance of corneal donations.
- 68. Develop a directory of community resources and services for those who are visually impaired.
- 69. Volunteer at a visual rehabilitation or vocational training center.
- 70. Organize an inclusive sporting event for children with and without visual impairment.
- 71. Host a fundraiser to purchase and donate white canes for those who are blind.
- 72. Work with local employers to develop an employee vision screening program.
- 73. Develop a discount voucher program with optical shops for underserved populations.
- 74. Design a transportation program for those who are blind or have low vision.

- 75. Host a "Beep Baseball" game or tournament.
- 76. Support a guide dog training program through fundraising or voluntary labor.
- 77. Develop an assistive technology library so people can access resources as their needs change.
- 78. Create a sensory garden that engages the senses of touch, smell, hearing & taste. Provide braille or audio recordings of signage.
- 79. Partner with a school for the blind to support assistive technology & maintenance needs.
- 80. Partner with an orientation and mobility specialist to provide ongoing support to teachers and employers of inclusive classrooms/workplaces.

### Childhood Cancer

- 81. Provide craft materials, puzzles, books & games to children receiving treatment.
- 82. Prepare meals for families with children undergoing treatment.
- 83. Donate gas, parking & food gift cards to families in need or a childhood cancer center.
- 84. Provide cancer support books and magazines to your local school.
- 85. Write cards full of well-wishes and share them with a local cancer center.
- 86. Make or buy new hats, caps, head scarves and blankets to donate to children's cancer centers.
- 87. Coordinate travel arrangements to and from treatments for a family of a child with cancer.
- 88. Provide tutoring services to children with cancer and their siblings.
- 89. Organize a childhood cancer camp or sponsor a child to attend one.
- 90. Volunteer to assist a family in sharing their story through photography.
- 91. Sponsor an activity day for children with cancer.
- 92. Raise awareness through radio public service announcements or social media campaigns.
- 93. Provide children's entertainment at a hospital or treatment center for children with cancer.
- 94. Organize a weekend retreat for families with children in remission.
- 95. Remodel a children's cancer center.
- 96. Form a support group for those affected by childhood cancer.
- 97. Familiarize yourself with the bone marrow transplant registry.
- 98. Volunteer at a housing facility serving children with cancer.
- 99. Assist at camps for children with special needs.
- 100. Host a wellness and nutrition day advocating healthy living habits for young people.