



Volunteer-at-Home Projects

2022/2023 School Year

The COVID-19 outbreak and subsequent variants have resulted in us identifying several at-home opportunities for those of you who may have concerns about completing your community service hours.

Joanne's Fabrics — Nonsurgical masks for medical personnel

Help Joanne's Fabrics support our medical personnel by making nonsurgical masks. Masks can be made at a Creator's Center at Joanne's — where they have free tools, supplies and guidance — or in the comfort of your own home. For patterns and more details, visit Joanne's Fabrics website.

Website: <https://www.joann.com/make-to-give-response/?icn=hpzhero&ici=make-to-give-response>

Project Linus — Homemade blankets for children

Project Linus provides homemade blankets to children in need. For patterns and more details, visit the Project Linus website.

NOTE: Deliver your homemade blankets to Project Linus and bring your community service log and a picture of the blankets to Bright Futures for signing the log.

Website: <https://www.projectlinus.org/>

Quilts of Valor — Homemade quilts for veterans and service members

The mission of Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. Visit their website for patterns and more information.

Website: <https://www.qovf.org/>

Meals on Wheels — Cards or notes of encouragement to the homebound

Make cards or write notes of encouragement to those that receive meals. Many of these meal recipients look forward to a visit when their meal is delivered, but with the advent of COVID-19, these visits are now limited. Share your talents and let our senior and disabled meal recipients know that someone cares!

NOTE: You may deliver your cards or notes either to the Bright Futures office, where we will sign off on your community service log and deliver the cards/notes to Meals on Wheels, or you may deliver them directly to Meals on Wheels, where they will sign your community service log.

Nursing Homes or Assisted Living Facilities — Notes of encouragement to residents and staff

Pick a local facility and write notes of encouragement for the residents and staff. Share your talents by making a card or writing a letter to let them know that someone cares.

NOTE: Call ahead to see if the facility is willing to accept this type of donation, how many residents and to make arrangements for how to safely drop off cards, letters or drawings.

Other Opportunities

United Way Weld County

United Way has a dedicated volunteer website for all opportunities. Currently, they are posting volunteer opportunities where nonprofits need help during COVID-19. Check out their website for details.

Website: https://uwweld.galaxydigital.com/need/?s=1&need_init_id=2997

Food Bank of Weld County

There are still a variety of needs at the Food Bank. Contact them at 970-356-2199 to see what opportunities are available and to schedule a time.

We hope you use this list as a starting point to think outside the box and find fun and creative ways to serve your community. We're all in this together, and we are proud to have you as a student on the Bright Futures Team!

Share your pictures and stories by tagging us on Facebook @BrightFuturesCO and Instagram @bright_futures_co

Please remember, the Community Service window to volunteer is May 16, 2021, to May 15, 2022 for the 2022/2023 school year. Any volunteer activities you've completed in that window of time will count toward your required 16 hours.

Community Service Log — Don't forget!

Don't forget to download a community log for each project, track your time on it, get it signed by someone from the agency you are helping, and upload it in your Bright Futures' account, in the "Programs" area.

Find the log here: http://www.brightfuturesco.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Bright-Futures-Community-Service-Log_July-2020.pdf