



## A to Z of Community Project/Citizenship Project Ideas

*The best way to come up with what your club group or match will do as a citizenship project is to have a planned look at your own community or world issues and see what needs to be done. Pick something you want and can do something about. That is the awareness piece of the awareness, action and evaluation process of Citizenship. Here are some ideas to get you going.*

- A –** Auction of Promises. Organise an auction of member talents where people bid for your time or talents e.g. an hour of ironing, cleaning a garden. The Club could donate the money raised to their charity of choice.  
Adopt a Grandparent: where members take it in turns to visit the elderly in the hospital/nursing home once a week  
Adopt a monument and keep it clean, adopt a pothole and raise money to get it fixed
  
- B –** Bring and Buy. The saying goes one man's rubbish is another man's treasure organise a bring and buy sale locally and donate the money to a good cause  
Buddy Hour: Organise games and activities for young people with special needs in your community activities could include music, games, movement, beauty tips and arts and crafts.  
Bingo – organise a fun bingo night to bring the community together and raise funds for a charity
  
- C –** Car Wash, Community Clean Up, Carol Singing, Campaign, host a Coffee morning, Collect unused make-up, perfume or other cosmetics and donate to a centre for abused women, organise a clothes drive  
Children in Hospital – How can you help?  
Card Drives – organise one for older people in your community  
Card games – learn traditional games and organise a community cards night  
Christmas community events  
Clean ups
  
- D -** Design local Christmas Cards, St. Patrick's Day Cards that highlight your community – donate the funds to a charity  
Defibrillator Drive: Does your community have a defibrillator? If not why not organise a fundraiser to purchase one and organise for members of the community to be trained in using it  
Donate your time/money  
Drama - write and produce a play that raises awareness about a particular topic
  
- E –** Easter Egg Hunt for the younger children in your community,  
Environment



**F -** Fundraise  
Pick a charity that means something to members, research it and organise a fundraiser for them. What that fundraiser is, is up to you but it could be a coffee morning, cake sale, auction, kiddies disco, fun day, sponsored walk, sponsored silence



**G -** Gardening  
Is there part of your community that needs a facelift? Why not investigate who owns the land and see if you can plant flowers or trees there  
Graveyard clean up or restoration

**H -** Homeless – is there something your group can do for the Homeless. Fundraise or prepare Homeless Bags with a sleeping blanket, toothbrush, toothbrush, shampoo, comb, non perishable foods etc  
Host a Safety Evening for young people  
Human rights – what issues effect young people around the world? What can you do about it?

**I -** Interview older members of your community about their life as a young person and compile a blog or book of their stories

**J -** Jumble Sale and donate unsold items to a charity shop and profits to a charity

**K -** Knit/crochet items for those in need e.g. hats for premature babies, hat, gloves & scarves for those in need

**L -** Loose change drive  
Litter pick ups  
Local History

**M -** Meals on Wheels: Assist the meals on wheels service in your community.  
Is there an allotment to grow fresh fruit and veg. Could your members volunteer to help prepare and deliver the food

**N -** Name that place – is their adequate place names and signage for your area

**O -** Organise a self defence workshop or any other workshop of your choosing that would benefit your community  
Organise a get to know your community event and invite community groups and people from the area to attend

- P** – Paint a mural.  
Plant a tree/community garden  
Stage a community pantomime- donate proceeds to charity
- Q** – Quilt a blanket for newborn babies
- R** – Restore an old landmark – is there a pump, stone  
Raise Awareness (Bullying, Drugs, Staying Safe on Line, How to Look after your pets properly, carbon monoxide poisoning ...)  
Refugees – learn about why they are leaving their homes. Campaign for their rights.  
Road Safety and improvements campaign
- S** – Share your talent - Teach a skill – technology classes for the elderly  
Survey your community on the improvements they'd like to see in the area and present your results to your local Council or begin working on one change  
Smoke alarms – organise a campaign to ensure every home in your community has a smoke and carbon monoxide alarm
- T** – Teach a skill you have to someone else e.g. baking, how to use technology, how to play an instrument  
Teach English to people who have come to Ireland as refugees
- U** – Uniform drive. Organise a uniform collection for old and unwanted school uniforms in your area. Get them cleaned and donate to those families who struggle with purchasing uniforms for their children
- V** – Video Production. Is there something/someone out there that everyone should know about, then why not make an educational video about it and share it online.  
Visit a nursing home  
Volunteer
- W** – Wheelchair accessibility. Investigate how wheelchair friendly your community is and campaign for improvements
- Y** – Young people's needs – and issues related to health or school
- Z** – Zoos, wildlife parks, endangered species of animals. Local wildlife, set up nesting sites, etc



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