

25 Acts of Kindness for Elementary Students

School Wide Acts of Kindness with Local Community Partners –The PTA has partnered with the following local organizations to collect donations. Boxes will be outside of the office for donations.

- **Lost Dog & Cat Rescue Foundation** - Collect gently used towels, blankets, leashes (non-retractable) and collars for rescued dogs and cats
- **Loudoun Habitat for Humanity** - Collect new safety goggles and nail aprons for local rebuild projects
Link for nail apron (or something similar): https://www.amazon.com/Pocket-Canvas-Waist-Apron-3-Pack/dp/B00CNIZR50/ref=sr_1_3?ie=UTF8&qid=1505334058&sr=8-3&keywords=nail+apron
- **Touching Heart** – Collect new socks (any size for adults and/or children), socks will be given to local homeless shelters for those in need
- **Loudoun Literacy** – Collect new or gently used children’s books for children in need
- **Leesburg Senior Center** - Make “every day” colorful greeting cards for the seniors. Cards can say “Have a great day”, “Enjoy your day”, “Enjoy your lunch” (8x10 or 4x6 in size, no envelopes needed)

Individual Acts of Kindness – Listed below are other ideas for service options within the community. These Acts of Kindness can be completed by the students on their own, however students may need parental help to drop donations and/or mail letters. The PTA will NOT be assisting with collections for any service options listed below.

- Collect household items for **Loudoun Habitat for Humanity ReStore**. For a list of acceptable & non-acceptable items, drop off address of their location in Leesburg or to schedule a pick up for larger items, please view their website link: <http://www.loudounrestore.org/what-we-accept/>
- Collect canned goods for a local food bank like **Dulles South Food Pantry**. Link to items needed and address for drop off items: <http://www.dsfp.org/donate/>
- Write a letter of appreciation to someone in the community (police, firefighters, etc.)
- Write thank you notes to the mail carrier and trash collector
- Write a letter to a soldier in military, thanking them for their service
- Invite someone who is standing alone at recess to play
- Make friends with 3 students who seem like they need a friend
- Make care packages for children in a local hospital
- Make a goodie basket to bring to the local police station, fire department, or hospital staff
- Offer to do chores for a neighbor in need of help (such as lawn work, dishes, washing a car, vacuuming, etc.)
- Make blessing bags for the homeless. Link for blessing bag ideas: <https://www.thriftynorthwestmom.com/blessing-bags-assemble-bags-keep-hand-need/>
- Have a garage sale or lemonade stand for a favorite charity
- Pick up trash in the neighborhood
- Volunteer to tutor or read to younger students
- Work with your family to clean out closets and donate clothes, toys, books, etc.
- Put out birdseed for the birds
- Organize a neighborhood food drive
- Organize a group of friends to do a morning of yard work for an elderly neighbor
- Organize a group of friends to visit a nursing home and spend time with residents
- Donate hair to **Locks of Love**. Link for more information: <http://www.locksoflove.org/get-involved/>