

Kind Acts of Community Service

- ❑ Instead of gift exchanges, buy toys or clothing for kids and give them to a local charity.
- ❑ Gather up all the used eyeglasses from your colleagues and friends, then donate them to a program that benefits those in developing countries.
- ❑ Christmas in July—do something mid-year for the less fortunate. Get the whole team involved.
- ❑ Gather used professional clothing at work and donate them to a Dress for Success program. Support low-income candidates preparing for job interviews or returning to work.
- ❑ Watch the movie **Pay It Forward** and talk about it with your family and friends.
- ❑ Join up to be a Habitat for Humanity volunteer. Donate your time with a group of friends or family.
- ❑ Visit or write a letter to an elderly neighbor. Send them flowers or mow their lawn or shovel snow for them in the winter.
- ❑ Read to children and adults in literacy programs.
- ❑ Take a dog for a walk at your local animal shelter. Better yet, adopt him!
- ❑ Offer to watch the home of next-door neighbor while they are away or babysit for a single parent.
- ❑ Volunteer your talents to mentor youth at a community center.
- ❑ Support local environmental groups by picking up litter in parks or planting trees.

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