



The following are the results of the brainstorming during the *Service Projects* breakout session at District Assembly 2021. A special “*thank you*” to all who attended.

### **Qualities of a Successful Service Project**

- it was fun
- identified a need
- Family connection
- harnessed passion
- hands on for members
- we were resourceful
- brainstorming
- our volunteers, helped those in need
- visibility in the community
- most members involved
- served others
- adaptable delivery
- repeatable
- community involvement
- disadvantaged and it was hands on but socially distanced
- whole club were really into
- provided joy for others and ourselves
- we followed successful community projects during and modelled ours after them
- collaboration with other groups

## **Qualities of a Less Than Successful Service Project**

- during covid
- way too much time commitment for members
- didn't engage others at the beginning
- lack of interest/support
- no communication
- not well defined
- timing
- financially unsustainable
- community needs change
- 20% of the members do all the work...burnout
- no follow-up
- no sunset clause

## **Successful Service Projects**

- Socks and Bottoms
- Salvation Army STEM toys and holiday shop
- food drive for Zaman
- Saturday am fresh fruit donations to charity groups
- Telegraph Clean up
- scholarships
- meals for First Responders
- packing food with schools
- clean water initiative
- tree planting
- food drives
- coats and other necessities for vista maria
- Gateway Trail cleanup
- holiday Hope baskets
- food for the needy.
- holiday food and family clothing giving for 5 local families
- helping shelters with donations
- sometimes the seniors want to help. not commit but help. we had our seniors at the senior center paint and decorate our Little Free Libraries. they had fun doing it and were very creative

### What Is Success?

*To laugh often and much;  
To win the respect of intelligent people  
and the affection of children;  
To earn the appreciation of honest critics  
and endure the betrayal of false friends;  
To appreciate beauty,  
to find the best in others;  
To leave the world a bit better,  
whether by a healthy child, a garden patch,  
or a redeemed social condition;  
To know even one life has breathed easier  
because you have lived.  
This is to have succeeded.*

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

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