



SUMMER *of Serving*

Serve Your Neighborhood:

- Help a neighbor paint or make repairs to the outside of their home
- Set up a free little library in your yard or neighborhood
- Cut a neighbor's grass or water their plants
- Bring in your neighbor's trash cans
- Deliver flowers
- Bake cookies
- Leave a kind note
- Offer to watch the children of a neighbor
- Leave coins at the laundromat

Serve a Community Helper:

- Thank your law enforcement officers with a written thank you note
- Bring treats to a fire station
- Bring in muffins to the staff at your local school
- Deliver coffee to another helper in your life—a social worker, therapist, healthcare worker, non-profit employee, etc.

Serve Others While On Vacation:

- Pay it forward at any drive thru
- Pay for someone's campsite or entrance fee
- Bring extra snacks for hikers
- Leave a kind note or generous tip for a hospitality worker
- Share cold water bottles along the way
- Carry homeless care kits in your vehicle to share
- Research local agencies/organizations in the area you'll be traveling to and identify needs that you can meet.
- Check out "Not Just a Tourist" before you leave at njt.net

Serve the Earth:

- Plant a tree
- Clean up trash around a neighborhood, local park or beach
- Set up recycling at your place of work or in your community
- Plant or help at a community garden





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Serve a Hurting Friend:

- Deliver a cup of coffee or a cold drink
- Send an encouragement card
- Make a meal for someone going through a major illness
- Help a friend or neighbor move
- Invite someone lonely to share a meal
- Do a load of laundry for a new mom
- Leave flowers on someone's car
- Offer to give respite care to caregiver

Serve Someone with Special Needs:

- Set up a buddy system with the special needs program at your school
- Volunteer with a buddy system if it already exists
- Build a wheelchair ramp or add rails to make someone's home accessible
- Volunteer to read over the phone to those visually impaired
- Volunteer respite care if you are qualified
- Offer a ride

