

Good Deeds for 9/11 Day

11 Ideas for Supporting Education/Literacy

1. Donate Books Locally

Give gently used books you no longer need to a local homeless shelter or a Little [Free Library](#) in your community. It's a simple way to inspire a love of reading and learning.v

2. Support First Book

Donate to [First Book](#) to help provide millions of books to children in need—especially those without internet access or home libraries—so they can continue learning.

3. Engage Virtually

Explore a variety of virtual opportunities to support students and learners of all ages, no matter where they live. [VELLO Online Reading Program](#), [Infinite Family Video Mentor](#), [Learn To Be Tutor](#), [UPchieve Coach](#), [CareerVillage.org](#), and [The National Mentoring Partnership](#) are just a few examples.

4. Share Your Experience as a Mentor

Offer to mentor a young person through organizations such as [Big Brothers Big Sisters of America](#), [Boys & Girls Clubs of America](#), [Girls Inc.](#), and [826 National](#)—your insights and guidance can help shape their future.

5. Connect with International Students

Become a mentor to an international student or an isolated individual through [Table Wisdom](#)—just 30 minutes of conversation can make a big difference.

6. Support Local Teachers' Wish Lists

Check Amazon.com for local teacher wish lists and help them stock their classrooms with the supplies they need for the school year.

7. Organize a Book Drive

Coordinate a book drive in your neighborhood, workplace, or community center. Collect new or gently used books and distribute them to shelters, schools, or libraries that serve children in need.

8. Volunteer at a Local Library

Offer your time at a local library—help with reading programs, organize bookshelves, or support community learning events.

9. Host a School Supply Drive

Organize a drive through [Kids in Need Foundation](#) to collect backpacks, notebooks, pencils, and other supplies for students in need to help them start the school year strong.

10. Create Care Packages for Teachers

Put together small care packages with snacks, tea, hand sanitizer, and notes of appreciation to show support for hard working educators.

11. Sponsor an After-School Program

Help fund or volunteer at an after-school program that offers homework help, enrichment activities, or a safe place for children to learn and grow.