



AmeriCorps

Good Deeds for 9/11 Day

11 Ideas for Families to Do Together

1. Make Care Kits for a Local Shelter

Fill bags with hygiene items, socks, or snacks for a nearby shelter or outreach organization.

2. Deliver Treats or Thank-You Notes to First Responders

Drop off cookies or handwritten cards at your local firehouse, police station, or EMT hub.

3. Do a Neighborhood Clean-Up

Grab gloves and trash bags and pick up litter in your neighborhood or a local park.

4. Donate Gently Used Books or Toys

Sort through items at home and deliver donations to a library, school, or children's center.

5. Create Chalk Messages of Hope

Write or draw messages of kindness and unity on your sidewalk or driveway to brighten someone's walk.

6. Drop Off a Meal to Someone in Need

Prepare and deliver a home-cooked (or store-bought) meal to a senior, single parent, or neighbor facing a hard time.

7. Support a Food Pantry

Shop for and donate nonperishable items to a local food pantry—and let the kids pick some items, too.

8. Send Cards to Military Members or Veterans

Write letters or decorate cards to thank those who serve or have served.

9. Host a Book Swap or Mini Free Library

Share your favorite reads and set up a "take one, leave one" book box in your neighborhood.

10. Sponsor a Class Supply Drive

Pick a local teacher or school and collect school supplies as a family.

11. Start a Family Gratitude Jar

Each day during September, every family member adds one note about something or someone they're grateful for—then read them aloud together.