



20 Project Ideas for Serving Youth

Please note: *These project ideas are not one-size-fits-all for CIP Grants. Some qualify for funding under grant guidelines for only one grant. It is imperative that you read and understand the CIP grant guidelines for each individual grant before applying.*

1. Purchase food supplies and backpacks to supplement meals for children on the weekends.
2. Partner with the local library or school to host a reading program.
3. Work with local high school students, antlers, or other service groups to aid local senior citizens with home maintenance such as mowing, weeding, and raking.
4. Host an after-school activity or mentoring program for students who have nowhere to go directly after school.
5. Teach local elementary students how to prepare simple healthy meals or snacks.
6. Use your musical talents for music lessons that teach children in need how to play an instrument.
7. Host a field day for the local boys and girls club or YMCA.
8. Create a safety day program teaching children proper bike etiquette, how to cross the street or what to do in case of a fire.
9. Take local students with disabilities on an outing to the zoo or museum.
10. Take local students in need for a day where they are fitted for a new pair of shoes!
11. Sponsor weekly art classes for elementary students.
12. Help local high school students with resume writing and interview skills. Funds can be used to provide interview clothing.
13. Visit a local children's hospital and purchase art kits, puzzles, or other activities to do with them while they're in the hospital.

14. Purchase and prepare hygiene kits for students in need.
15. Create a day of fun sports for youth with disabilities.
16. Often children entering foster homes must leave behind their belongings. Create packages of essential clothing, hygiene items, or bedding supplies to distribute to them.
17. Host a health awareness day where students are given vouchers to visit the dentist or eye doctor.
18. Work with the Lodge to round up and repair bikes to give away to local students in need.
19. Teach swim lessons to children in need.
20. Create a nature clean-up and recycling day for a local elementary school class.