

# ***Community Service & Service Learning Resources***

## **Books:**

- ❖ The Ohio State University Extension – 4-H Youth Development @ <http://www.ohio4h.org/sites/d6-ohio4h.web/files/publications/documents/Current%20Family%20Guide.pdf>  
NEW 4-H Project Book
  - ❖ Hands to Larger Service: Teen Leaders Building Our Communities (\$6.00)
  
- ❖ National 4-H Supply @ [www.4-Hmall.org](http://www.4-Hmall.org): Curriculum to purchase:
  - Citizenship – Public Adventures (grades 4 – 12)
  - Service Learning (grades 5 – 12) two grade level project books & one help guide; Agents of Change and Raise Your Voice  
<http://www.4-hmall.org/Category/4-hcurriculum-service-learning.aspx>
  
- ❖ The Kids Guide to Service Projects – Over 500 Service Ideas for Young People Who Make a Difference by Barbara A. Lewis, (1995) published by Free Spirit Publishing, Inc.; Excellent resource with tips, addresses, and very well organized. Easy for kids to use.
  
- ❖ 1001 Ways to do Good by Meera Lester, (2008) published by Adams Media, an F & W Publications Company. (I bought mine at Barnes & Noble). This is very up-to-date book with current issues and great ideas with website addresses for the service project. Some are small acts of kindness we can teach our youth.

## **Websites:**

- ❖ **Make A Difference Day** – the last Saturday of October. National service day sponsored by USA Today news magazine. Great website with idea generator, separate tools(guides) on how to plan a CS for teachers, adults and teens. These can be downloaded or printed off. Register your project and report back to be recognized in your local newspaper. Past award winners are described. Excellent resource.  
<http://www.usaweekend.com/diffday/>  
<http://www.pointsoflight.org/signature-events/make-difference-day>
- ❖ **National Youth Service Day** – Usually held the third weekend in April. Sponsored by Youth Service America. Great resources for youth and adults which are free. You can either print off planning guides & curriculum or you can order free off the website. NYSA has a list of grants & awards listed on their home website on the left, one is State Farm for youth to apply for.
- ❖ **Youth Service America** - YOUTH SERVICE AMERICA is a resource center that partners with thousands of organizations committed to increasing the quality and quantity of volunteer opportunities for young

- people, ages 5-25, to serve locally, nationally, and globally.  
<http://www.ysa.org/>
- ❖ **Points of Light Foundation – is <http://www.pointsoflight.org/> - comprehensive site – national. Grants/awards link.**
  - ❖ **Points of Light Foundation – volunteering resource - <http://www.pointsoflight.org/programs/>**
  - ❖ **Go to your state Extension 4-H website to see what is listed about community service, i.e. <http://advisorshandbook.ohio4h.org/learning/servicelearning.html>**
  - ❖ **Google key words: community service ideas or community service ideas 4-H**

### **Other Resources to Note:**

#### **National opportunities for volunteering throughout the year: (most of these have passed but will be at the same time in 2010)**

- ❖ Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: A Day ON -- Not a Day OFF; National MLK Service Day , January 19, 2015
- ❖ National Volunteer Week: Inspire by Example; April 11- 13, 2014
- ❖ Global Youth Service Day; April 11 – 13, 2014
- ❖ Join Hands Day: Youth and Adults Volunteering Together; May 3, 2014
- ❖ Community Build Day: 50 Builds in 50 States;
- ❖ My Good Deed: Honor the Victims of September 11, 2014
- ❖ Make A Difference Day: A National Day to Help Others; October 25, 2014
- ❖ Family Volunteer Day: Be an Incredible Family - Volunteer; November 22, 2014

### **CONFERENCE for Youth and Adults:**

- ❖ **National Service Learning Conference –**
  - (Through NYLC and Youth Serving America)
  - **April 9-12 in Washington D.C., (changes location each year)**
  - **1400 Teens and Adults presenting, sharing their service projects through presentations and poster displays**
  - **Keynote speakers (including teens);**
    - Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Conner

For more information see website @

<http://servicelearningconference.org/2014/index.php>

Or contact Nadine Fogt, Fayette County 4-H Extension Educator at [fogt.12@osu.edu](mailto:fogt.12@osu.edu) or 740-335-1150;

FYI – will be attending the NSLC for the third year and 4-H’ers presenting at Conference.

