



## VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SUPPORT Plan of Action 2009-2010

**OBJECTIVE:** To promote Extension Homemaker involvement in local, county, district and state community projects that impact family life and support the community.

**DUTIES:** **State Focus Group:** Determine projects and activities to be implemented by districts and counties. (Continue to promote Share the Warmth, Love, Knowledge and Blessings program).

**County Chair:** Support and promote state projects and determine which projects would be appropriate to support in your community. Compile totals from club Volunteer Community Support Report form and give to your county president.

**Club Chair:** Support and promote state, district and county activities along with local needs. Complete Volunteer Community Support Report form and return to your county chair or county president by March 1.

**IEHA State Projects:**

- NVON Project in Common**
- IEHA International Project**
- Riley Children's Hospital & Cheer Guild**
- Ronald McDonald House**
- Coins for Friendship (Donations to go to ACWW project)**
- IOPO Awareness**
- IEHA – Supports our Military Heroes**

### Suggestions for County and Local Club Activities

**Financial support is always welcome for any need!!!**

**Before starting a project check to see if it is acceptable to meet the needs!!!**

1. Sew for local hospitals, law enforcement agencies, long term care facilities, shelters, and foster care. Ex: stuffed animals, walker totes, bereavement sets, premie layettes, cancer pillows & turbans, blankets, surgery dolls, book bags, puppy pillows, activity aprons. Make Christmas bags (to be filled local churches).
2. Collect items for shelters, foster care, low-income families and children, Ronald McDonald House, Riley Hospital and military families. Ex: food, personal care items, school supplies, pillows and pillow cases, clothing, backpacks, duffel bags, pop tabs, phone cards, gas cards, baby items.
3. Help with unwed mothers' groups or group homes.
4. Help with a community meal program such as V-8 Feeding America, food pantry, soup kitchen, etc.
5. Give a basket of baby items to the first born during "IEHA" week.
6. Help with a community blood drive.
7. Support "Have a Healthy Baby" program.
8. Promote "Breast Cancer Awareness" including "Tell A friend" program.
9. Support "First Books for Kids" program.
10. Volunteer at long term care facilities, mental health organizations or local shelters.
11. Provide transportation for senior citizen organization or others needing medical treatment.
12. Support clothing projects geared to those in need preparing for job interviews.
13. Audio books for the blind.