



Volunteer Community Support Focus Group Plan of Action

The objective of the Volunteer Community Support Focus Group is to promote Extension Homemaker involvement in local, county, district and state projects that impact family life and support the community and beyond.

There are many ongoing projects unique to each county that clubs or members may participate in, such as supporting local food banks, providing food for school children over the weekend, and volunteering at a facility that provides free meals for the hungry.

There are also many state projects – including First Books for Kids, Riley Children’s Hospital Cheer Guild, Ronald McDonald Houses, the IEHA Cancer Research Endowment Fund, Threads of Compassion Shawls for the Indiana Organ Donor Network, and the NVON Project In Common. Information about the state projects are included in the county Blue Book.

Nickels for Leadership and Coins for Friendship are also VCS statewide projects but are tracked by reporting donations to the State Treasurer.

The VCS committee requests that each club keep track of the volunteer efforts the club or member participates in, using the VCS reporting form. Each local club should try to keep track of name of the group you helped, the hours spent volunteering, and the monies and items donated to each cause. The reporting form for the 2024-2025 year is available on the ieha-families.org website and will be updated in your county’s blue book. Each county club should submit a form detailing volunteer efforts to their county president, so the information can be summarized for your county.

The suggested time period to keep track of is February 1, through January 31.