

Senior Sow What? Ambassador Justice Take Action Project Samples: Cleaning up the Muck

Project 1

Eco-Action—assist a local environmental organization

Project 2

Community Gardening—assist or start a community

Project 1: Eco-Action

Map It:

- 1. Get a list of local environmental groups
- 2. Follow up with an interview of these groups. This can be done over the phone or on a site visit.
- 3. Be sure to ask for any literature, such as brochures or information packets, that they have about their organization.
- 4. Discuss information gathered from interviews. Decide to assist a group, do more research, or start your own environmental group.

Plan It:

- 1. Read literature from the organization.
- 2. Practice necessary skills.

Do It

- 1. Serve on a volunteer board.
- 2. Be Eco-Watchers and report local environmental problems to an agency or group.
- 3. Help educate the public about local environmental issues.
- 4. Provide volunteer assistance at events.

Think About It:

- 1. Hold an Eco-Celebration for all involved.
- 2. Keep a journal of how the project started, changed and could continue.

Advocate It:

1. Write an article for the local paper or environmental newsletter.

Community Gardening

Plan It:

- 1. Locate a gardener in the community.
- 2. Learn gardening from the gardener.
- 3. Develop an action plan.

Do It:

- 1. Assist once at a community garden-planting, weeding, harvesting, etc.
- 2. Adopt a special project such as obtaining in-kind donations of materials and building a new fence or sign for a community garden.
- 3. Garden a plot and donate the produce.
- 4. Start a community garden.

Think About It:

- 1. Paint a mural near the garden.
- 2. Take photos and make a scrapbook of the project.

Advocate It:

1. Record a story about the importance of gardening. Donate it to the library.