# KLC 2015 "SERVICE WITH A SMILE"

(HOUSING SERVICE PROJECTS @ KAY LEADERSHIP CAMP)

On Monday evening of KAY Leadership Camp, all campers and staff participated in a 20 minute service project. This activity was conducted by housing areas and was under the direction of the assigned staff. The objectives of this activity were not limited to the following: Communication Skills; Teamwork in Action; Organizational Skills; Awareness of activity ideas; Time Management Skills; Understanding personal talents.

Following is information on the activities and a brief evaluation.

#### **WAITING ROOM ACTIVITY PACKETS**

Asa Payne Cottage – 20 Participants

**Project Description:** We made photocopies of free dot-to-dot, activity and coloring pages, from the internet (5-6 pgs per pkt). We placed them in a large manila envelope along with 24 count crayons, and sticker sheets and a few blank sheets of paper. We decorated the outside of the envelopes saying "From your friends at the KAY Club"

Items Needed: Dot-to-Dot and/or Coloring Activity Pages, crayons, manila envelopes, stickers

Would you do this project again? YES

**Explain:** This was simple, effective and efficient. It also cost a total of around \$25.00. It was completely finished in the time allotted.

**What will you do with the finished product?** Taking them to Children's Mercy in Kansas City. They could go to any hospital, clinic, or even Parent/Teacher Conferences.

#### SHOULDER BLANKETS/SHAWLS

**Bankers Cottage -** 20 Participants

**Project Description:** We made fleece tie blankets that were 1 ½ yards long and about 18" wide so nursing home residents could put them around their shoulders instead of putting on a jacket.

**Items Needed:** 1 ½ yard x 18" Plain fleece; 1 ½ yard 18" patterned fleece; scissors

Would you do this project again? YES

**Explain:** Easy to do and the kids can get it done quickly when it's all prepped and ready to go.

What will you do with the finished product? Give to nursing home residents.

#### **T-SHIRT TIED DOG TOYS**

**Co-op Cottage** - 20 Participants

**Project Description:** Remove the lids, labels and plastic rings from the water bottles. Cut off the sleeves and collars of the t-shirt. Cut the shirt in half starting at the armpit and go to the bottom of the shirt. Do this to both sides. Roll an empty water bottle in the shirt. Make sure the bottle is completely covered. Take one inch wide strips of the sleeves and tie the bottle in the middle and near the neck of the bottle.

Items Needed: T-shirts, empty plastic water bottles, and scissors

#### Would you do this project again? YES

**Explain:** The prep was easy. We made 65 bottles into chew dog toys. The project allowed campers to choose different shirt colors and make any size toy. Some were creative and braided theirs and had a design.

**What will you do with the finished product?** The toys will be donated to the Baldwin Animal Rescue Network and the Lawrence Human Society.

## **SURVIVAL KITS – for LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONDERS**

#### Finnup Cottage – 55 Participants

**Project Description:** Put 1 of each item in the paper bag, include a few thank you notes to let law enforcement and emergency responders know they are appreciated for all they do within our community. (Made 100 bags)



**Items Needed:** paper lunch sack, thank you letterhead/cards, bubble gum, tootsie pops, laffy taffy, paperclips, rubberbands, peppermint candy, lifesaver candy, starburst, curling ribbon, scissors, hole punch, pens/pencils

#### Would you do this project again? YES

**Explain:** This project was easy to put together and the girls had fun penning a thank you note to a stranger in another town. The campers loved this project!

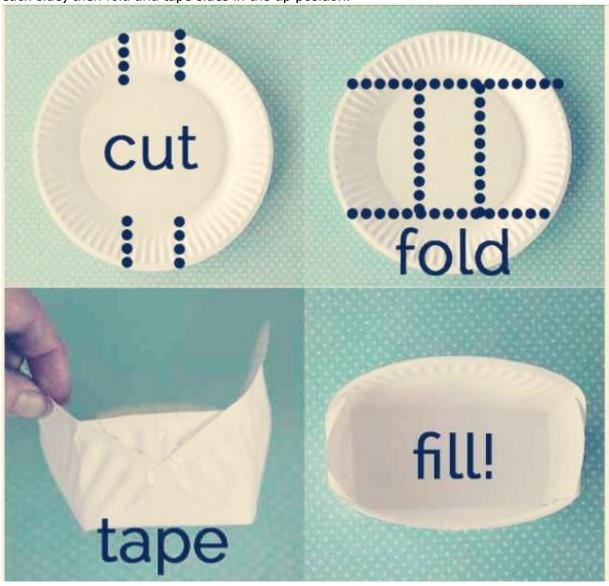
**What will you do with the finished product?** Divide up the kits and distribute to Law Enforcement and Emergency Responder locations in our communities.

## **PAPER PLATE BASKETS**

**Hansen Cottage** – 50 Participants

**Project Description:** Decorate the bottom of the plate with markers/crayons/ribbon. Made 4 cuts (2 on

each side) then fold and tape sides in the up position.



**Items Needed:** Paper plates, markers, crayons, ribbon, and scissors.

Would you do this project again? YES

## **Explain:**

**What will you do with the finished product?** Baskets will be filled with cookies and taken to Area 1<sup>st</sup> responders to show our appreciation.

## **DOG CHEW TOYS**

**Preston Cottage** – 58 Participants

**Project Description:** Dog chew toys made of fleece. Use (3) 18"-20" strips of fleece. A knot is tied at top and then the three strips are braided. A knot is tied at the bottom. The strips are roughly 3" wide.

**Items Needed:** Fleece (as described above); Scissors

Would you do this project again? YES

**Explain:** It was easy fast project that many people can do. Another great thing is they don't have to be perfect.

**What will you do with the finished product?** Given to the Kansas Humane Society for them to distribute throughout the state.

## **BREAST CANCER AWARENESS KEYCHAINS**

**Weatherwax Cottage** – 18 Participants

**Project Description:** Each camper made 5 breast cancer awareness keychains.

**Items Needed:** Key Ring, Ribbon (10" long) and 6 beads (pink/white/hot pink) per chain

Would you do this project again? YES

**Explain:** We would possibly add 3-4 each as we had plenty of time.

What will you do with the finished product? Delivered to Susan G. Komen great Kansas City