



NATIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE PARTICIPATION DAY

National High School Activities Week
October 9 - 15, 2011

The Kansas Association for Youth (KAY) is a character-building, leadership training, service organization directed by the KSHSAA. This nationally acclaimed program provides students an opportunity to learn to assume their citizenship responsibilities by providing service to their school, community, nation and world. These service projects produce an awareness and put citizenship into action.

The *KAY Handbook* contains numerous ideas for service projects. Some community service ideas include:

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY—Assist in cleaning up litter on the highway roadside. KDOT is looking for non-profit groups of individuals (over 11 years of age) to adopt 2-3 miles of highway. KDOT provides safety vests, bags and a roadside sign, designating your groups adoption. They ask that you clean the highway three times a year. Please call your area KDOT office for information, or (785) 296-3585.

BLOODMOBILE — Assist with publicity and registration; encourage donors to give.

CLEAN UP & BEAUTIFICATION BRIGADE — Rake leaves, pull weeds and pick up trash in the city park, etc. Clean up roadways leading into the community. Paint park benches or areas with graffiti, etc.

COMMUNITY RUMMAGE SALE — Organize a community-wide rummage sale; secure site, publicize, offer to pick up items; arrange for concessions, etc.

HEALTH FAIR — Distribute brochure on a wide variety of topics; provide cholesterol screening, etc.

SENIOR CITIZENS — Offer an “errand-running” service for the elderly in your community. Offer to do odd jobs for those unable to maintain their yards.

WALKER SAFETY — Draw a map of safe areas around town and provide mileage for each route.

WINTER SAFETY MEETINGS—Promote safety. Hold a community-wide assembly on severe winter driving, being stranded, survival and winter car maintenance.