#GivingTuesdayNow | A Global Day of Giving and Unity

Who?

Teens, youth, young adults, and college students across the country and around the globe!

What?

#GivingTuesdayNow is a global day of generosity and unity, a day to come together and give back in response to the unprecedented need caused by COVID-19, no matter who or where we are.

At a time when we are home together with our parents and families, #GivingTuesdayNow is a great opportunity to work together to spread generosity - at a time when we need it the most.

We are rallying teens and young adults to lead their own acts of kindness and generosity or service projects either virtually or from the safety of their own homes!

When?

All day on May 5th, 2020!
Where?

Acts of generosity will be happening across the country and all around the world. Your act of kindness or service project will be conducted online or from the safety of your home!

Why?

There are many people who have been impacted by COVID-19 and many people who are looking to activate, help those who have been impacted, contribute their community, and support their favorite non-profits, organizations, and causes during these uncertain times.

How?

A few ideas on what you can do to participate in #GivingTuesdayNow:

- **Create protective masks and equipment for yourself, a neighbor, or an essential worker in need.**
  
  *GTKids Leader Khloe Thompson,* created a video for a DIY face mask for those of us that use sewing machines or want to learn how to sew.

- **Record a video message of hope.**
  
  Seniors, veterans, and many others are on lockdown and isolated in their rooms or at home. They could use some encouraging messages of hope from young people. Record a video of yourself or family and send it to someone that could use it.

- **Help out your neighbors.**
  
  Help with yard work or other chores for those who are ill, elderly, or immuno-compromised. *Suggestion from GTKids leader Michael* - make a flier and leave it on door steps offering to do yard work for your neighbors on May 5th. Ask neighbors to put the flier back on their door if they are interested in your help with a note with what they need help with. This will limit interaction!

- **Share your stockpile.**
  
  If you have an abundance of unopened non-perishable food, unopened over-the-counter medicines, or extra cleaning supplies, gather them in a box or shopping bag to leave in a common area for neighbors in need. Don’t forget about pets! If you have extra pet food, be sure to include it. *See it in action.*

- **Volunteer virtually.**
You don’t have to leave the couch to give back! There are plenty of virtual volunteer opportunities that you can do from the comfort of your own home. Check out some of our favorites here.

- **Create and share your own GT Heart with the caption “together we__” on it.**
  With supplies at home, come up with your own GivingTuesday heart and share it. Our theme for #GivingTuesdayNow is Together We... Share your heart with the caption “Together We _ “ and fill in the blank. Send your heart in the mail to family far away, email your heart on an email chain to friends and family that could use some love, post your heart in your window or draw it on the sidewalk for your neighbors, or make a digital heart with design software and send it virtually. Share what you come up with on social media using the hashtag #GivingTuesdayNow.

Use these as a jumping off point or generate your own generosity ideas. And remember distancing and safety regulations are different in every city and country, so we encourage you to adapt ideas to fit the safety needs of your community.

**Resources**

Once you decide on your #GivingTuesdayNow plans, make sure to register them [here](#) and add them to our [#GivingTuesdayNow generosity map](#).

Find all logos and social media resources that you will need [here](#)! Don't forget to use #GivingTuesdayNow along with your own hashtags to promote your project on social media!

**Ideas Bucket**

Need other ideas? Our team sends a daily generosity reminder right to your phone or inbox. [You can sign up here](#).