



## United Way of Greater Charlottesville

### DAY OF CARING PROJECT IDEAS FOR SCHOOLS

#### Painting

- Blacktop maps and games (U.S. Map, World Map, Four Square, Alphabet Letters and Numbers)
- Walls
- Re-paint parking lot lines and curbs
- School mascot footprints along walkways and walls
- Trim and doors
- Outdoor concrete floors
- Wall murals- best if already outlined for volunteers

#### Crafts

- Making of props
- Making of classroom sensory kits
- Signs to promote school events

#### Landscaping

- Mulch
- Weed flower beds
- Create new flower beds
- Prune bushes/trees
- Plant flowers
- Trail building/clearing

#### Cleaning/Organizing

- Inventory and organize storage closet/supply room
- Cleaning of bleachers, dugouts, etc.

#### Administrative

- Data entry
- Bulk mailing preparation
- Shred and/or organize files
- Prepare classroom materials (cut, copies, etc.)
- Repair library books

**Construction**

**(Please remember it is difficult for us to find enough skilled volunteers to meet the demand for these projects. It is very helpful if you can identify a parent volunteer tradesman who can guide a team of "less-skilled" volunteers for this type of project.)**

- Assemble furniture
- Build/install shelves
- Build or repair a fence
- Build benches and picnic tables

**Student-based**

- Field trips to learn more about volunteer's work
- Lunch Buddies
- Playing games after-school; organizing a field day
- Reading with children
- Career-based activities (career talks, demonstrations, etc.)
- Sharing special skills, talents, hobbies (knitting, gardening, cake decorating, etc.)