

Kid Kindness Grant\$

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Dear Educators,

Kindness Grows Here is dedicated to making your job easier! We know that as influential adults in the lives of so many children that you are instrumental in making our Kid Kindness Grants Program a success.

This is the first year we are providing materials that educators can use in the classroom to get kids thinking about making change in their community through kindness. We hope these materials will be a meaningful resource that will make lesson-planning easier, and also result in well thought out applications for our grants.

The Kid Kindness Grants program seeks to empower youth by funding any child's intentional and creative idea for community kindness. You are our partners in achieving this goal.

If you have any feedback for us about how we can make these resources more meaningful or effective, please reach out at: info@KindnessGrowsHere.com.

Thank you for all you do!

~The Board of Directors of Kindness Grows Here

Please note: There are two files you need to download: this one which is called "KKG Classroom Handouts" and "KKG Classroom Presentation." They correspond in the following Way:

KKG Classroom Presentation:	KKG Classroom Handouts:
Real World Problem Solving: Slides 2-6	Pages 1-5
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Real World Problem Solving

How can you make your community a better place through kindness? First you need to know what real world problems you would like to try to address with kindness. Real world problems are issues that you see in your world and community that need to be made better and improved on. Below are some questions you can ask yourself to better understand what could be improved in your world and community.

My community would be better if:

My community needs more:

It makes me sad or I don't like it when I see _____

happening in my community.

I could help people in my community by:

After answering the questions above, please list 3 problems/issues/challenges in your community that you think could be made better through kindness.

1.

2.

3.

Circle the one real world problem listed above that is the **most meaningful to you** and that you would like to try to address with kindness.

Being kind means taking action. Brainstorm three actions you could take that would help the real-world problem you circled above to get better:

Solution 1:

Solution 2:

Solution 3:

Circle the solution that you think is:

- Most likely to work
AND
- The most fun for you to do!

Kindness should be impactful and fun!!

When we help address issues in our community with kindness, we create real change. **Outcome** is another word for change that occurs because of an action we took. What do you think the outcome will be of carrying out the solution you circled above?

Being kind changes how others feel and how we feel ourselves.

How will others feel after I carry out the solution I circled above?

How will I feel after I carry out the solution I circled above?

Kid Kindness Grant Project Planning

You've done the hard work! You identified a problem in your community that can be addressed with kindness. And you've decided exactly how you can address that problem. Now it is time to start planning your *Kid Kindness Project*!

Tips for Kid Kindness Projects

1. **Be creative.** There is no such thing as a bad idea! If your goal is to help others through kindness, then we want to hear about it! Your voice matters! You have great ideas!
2. **Relationships matter.** We love to see how your project encourages relationships between people and includes interactions with others. How can you get other kids to help you? Are there businesses or other organizations in your community who can help? Will the people you are spreading kindness to know that someone took the time to do something kind for them?
3. **We love details!** The more details you can give about your project the better.

Your Name:

Name of Your Kindness Project:

Goal of the project: What is it you want your project to achieve?

Planning your project. Please answer the following questions to develop a plan for your project.

What exactly are you going to do to spread kindness?

Who will you be spreading kindness to? How many people will be impacted by your project?

How will people be impacted or changed because of your project?

Why are you choosing to spread kindness in this way?

Will people be interacting with each other as a part of your project? If so, how?

Now that you know what you will be doing to spread kindness and who you will be spreading kindness to, it is time to take action!

Please list 5 action steps: things you need to do to accomplish your project. Think about who you need to help? Do you need to get permission from anyone to do this? Do you need to find a space to carry out your project? Where will you go to gather supplies?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Challenges: When starting any new project there are always challenges.

Please brainstorm three challenges you may face when doing your project?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

For each challenge you listed above, brainstorm a way you can deal with the challenge.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

You've done a great job thinking about the goal, impact, and steps you need to take to spread kindness. Next you need to figure out how much it will cost...

All About Budgets

Name of my Kindness Project:

Supplies I need for my project:

Column A: Supply List	Column B: Cost of each supply item	Column C: How much of each supply do I need to have enough for everyone?	Column D: Multiplication equation from column B and column C.	Column E: Total Cost for Each Item:
If you need more space	continue	on the next	page.	

TOTAL COST:
(Add up all the numbers in Column E)

All About Budgets Continued...

Column A Continued	Column B Continued	Column C Continued	Column D Continued	Column E Continued:

TOTAL COST:

(Add up all the numbers
in Column E)

Being fiscally responsible:

Now that you know how much your project is going to cost, are there ways you can decrease the amount? Could you ask for donations of some supplies? Could you use space at a school or church that won't cost money? Are there other people who could support your project? Kindness Grows Here would love to fund every application we receive. But, we have limited funds. So, by thinking about how you can decrease your costs, it helps us to be able to support more kids like you with great ideas!

You've done an amazing job really thinking through how you can spread kindness in your community! Great work! Now your teacher will review all the project plans she has received, and she will decide who should submit their idea directly to *Kindness Grows Here*.