



95 WAYS TO BUILD COMMUNITY

AS PART OF CELEBRATING OUR 95TH ANNIVERSARY, WE ENCOURAGE
YOU TO ENGAGE IN 95 WAYS TO BUILD COMMUNITY.
HELP MAKE MISSOULA STRONGER, KINDER, AND MORE CONNECTED!



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Missoula County

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1. Organize a block party, potluck, or neighborhood BBQ
2. Have meaningful conversations about issues affecting the community
3. Pick up litter in a park, trail, or neighborhood block
4. Turn to at least one local news source every day
5. Pay for the vehicle behind you in the drive-through
6. Start a book club using a [Missoula Public Library kit](#)
7. Walk, hike, or bike a local [Missoula Parks & Recreation](#) trail you've never explored
8. Wave at a passerby
9. Talk to a stranger in line
10. Collaborate with nonprofits or community groups on shared projects
11. Support a local business you've never been to
12. Shovel snow for your neighbor
13. Share about [Project Tomorrow MT](#) to people in need of suicide prevention resources
14. Join a local Facebook or neighborhood community group and elevate the conversation
15. Volunteer to support older adults through [Missoula Aging Services](#)
16. Find a cause you're passionate about through [Missoula Nonprofit Center](#)
17. Learn about the natural world around you at the [Montana Natural History Center](#)
18. Volunteer at a local nonprofit through [Volunteer Missoula](#)



19. Read an Imagination Library book to a child
20. Volunteer as a Court Appointed Special Advocate
21. Offer to pet-sit for a friend or neighbor
22. Mow your neighbor's lawn
23. Let someone merge in traffic
24. Attend a local school board, City Council, or county commission meeting
25. Donate blood with American Red Cross
26. Start a hobby circle with supplies from Giving Art Missoula
27. Offer to babysit
28. Write thank-you notes to teachers, first responders, or nonprofit staff
29. Introduce yourself to a new neighbor
30. Share extra garden produce with others
31. Mentor a young person
32. Offer rides to someone who needs transportation
33. Leave positive online reviews for local businesses
34. Attend a local art show, concert, or theater performance
35. Invite someone new for ice cream at Big Dipper
36. Help someone carry groceries
37. Dine at a local restaurant or Downtown ToNight
38. Return shopping carts for others
39. Support a community garden with Garden City Harvest
40. Start a walking group
41. Donate to the Poverello Center's need of the week
42. Learn the names of your neighbors
43. Check in on someone who lives alone



44. Help someone move
45. Share local job openings with your network
46. Rake leaves for a neighbor
47. Support local farmers at [Missoula Farmers' Market](#) or the [Clark Fork Market](#)
48. Participate in a community volunteer day like [Day of Action](#)
49. Teach someone a skill you have
50. Help a child with homework or reading
51. Donate books to a [Little Free Library](#)
52. Organize a cleanup day in your neighborhood
53. Leave kind notes in public places
54. Invite coworkers to volunteer together
55. Write a letter to an elected official about a local issue
56. Attend a cultural event you've never experienced before
57. Welcome new families to the neighborhood
58. Bring baked goods to coworkers or neighbors
59. Carpool when possible
60. Share tools or equipment with neighbors
61. Offer tech help to an older adult
62. Give someone a sincere compliment
63. Hold the door open for others
64. Participate in a local fundraiser like [Missoula Gives](#)
65. Apply to participate in the [Missoula County Parent Leadership Training Institute](#)
66. Help a new American study for their written drivers license exam with [Soft Landing](#)



67. Learn about Indigenous history in your community
68. Volunteer at an animal shelter
69. Support youth sports or activities
70. Refer someone in need of housing support to the [Housing Solutions Fund](#)
71. Attend a [neighborhood leadership team meeting](#)
72. Help someone build a resume
73. Write encouraging notes to students
74. Cheer on runners during a local race like the [Missoula Marathon](#)
75. Foster an animal through the [Humane Society of Western MT](#)
76. Donate school supplies
77. Bring coffee or water to someone working outdoors
78. Start a meal train for a family in need
79. Invite someone new in town to [Laugh United](#) or another community event
80. Offer to walk a dog for someone who may not have time
81. Donate unused household items
82. Offer your seat to someone who needs it
83. Learn basic phrases in another language spoken in your community
84. Visit a [local museum](#) or [historical site](#)
85. Volunteer at the [Missoula Food Bank](#) or other local pantry
86. Participate in a river cleanup with [Clark Fork Coalition](#)
87. Treat unhoused neighbors with dignity and kindness
88. Attend a local sporting event like a [Paddleheads Game](#)
89. Join a service club or civic organization
90. Support community fundraising nights at restaurants or bars



- 91. Help someone practice for a job interview
- 92. Donate diapers and hygiene items to a nonprofit in need
- 93. Volunteer at a community festival or event
- 94. Plant a tree or native flowers that attract pollinators
- 95. Invite a new connection to United Way's 95th Anniversary Gala on October 24!

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