

At our 2019 Create the Change<sup>®</sup> Day events across the country, approximately 900 kids, parents, representatives and volunteers came together, donating nearly 2,000 hours of service, benefiting 42 nonprofit organizations, and all with one goal – to make a difference in their communities.



- Packed over **875** toiletry kits and shower bags for low-income and homeless youth and adults
- Made **525** Veterans Day cards for veterans, holiday cards, and random acts of kindness notes for homeless neighbors to lift their spirits
- Crafted **250** Thanksgiving, fall crafts, placemats, and wreaths to decorate the homes of elderly, homebound neighbors and local shelters
- Decorated **320** bookmarks for young readers in our communities and rural Africa
- Collected over **350** books for low-income toddlers as well as communities in rural Africa
- Assembled **245** Jared Boxes full of cards, games and toys for pediatric patients
- Packed **229** backpacks full of school supplies for homeless youth
- Crafted **215** blankets and toys for shelter animals
- Decorated and packed **328** lunch bags and snack packs for hungry neighbors
- Crafted **325** welcome home keychains and bracelets for people transitioning to homes and those completing therapeutic youth programs, respectively
- Decorated **250** cards of encouragement to accompany winter hat, glove and shoe donations for local low-income and homeless youth
- Cleaned **50** pairs of shoes, gathered additional shoe donations, and wrote over **50** cards to accompany new shoes for kids in need
- Assembled **100** kits to promote mental health awareness
- Created over **100** Halloween pencils to be used with kids served by Sunday Friends
- Crafted **70** beautiful “birds” to adorn a Giving Tree meant to inspire us to remember our role in caring for our fellow creatures
- Packed **100** blessing bags for homebound and elderly neighbors
- Assembled **350** repurposed crayon packets to provide art supplies to students in Title 1 schools
- Made the beginnings of “welcome home kits” for **100** homeless individuals/families getting ready for a new home
- Wrapped **1,000** silverware packets for holiday meals for the homeless
- Helped decorate promotional materials for Angels on Stage’s upcoming production
- Educated youth on our oceans, financial literacy & saving, and so much more

And it is hopefully just the beginning.

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