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# Governor's Project Guide Book



Special Needs Awareness Program

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KEY CLUB®

# SNAP- What is it?

- **SNAP stands for Special Needs Awareness Programs**
- **Any service project Key Clubbers perform with or for those with special needs constitutes as a SNAP Governor's Project**
- **The purpose of this Governor's Project is to emphasize the core value of inclusiveness by incorporating others with different skills and lifestyles into community service**



# AKTION CLUB

**Aktion Club is a branch of the Kiwanis Family for adults with special needs. Key Clubbers should work hard to involve Aktion Clubbers in their SNAP projects.**

**Aktion Clubs are located in many divisions throughout the Florida District.**

**Visit [www.aktionclub.org](http://www.aktionclub.org) to find one near you!**



# PROJECT IDEAS

## ● "Spooky Shadows" –

A Halloween celebration event where students donate candy, pack goodie bags, work arts and craft stations, and run a small haunted house for special needs children and others in the community

## ● "Volunteer At Care Facilities" -

Students can become certified at a care facility for those with special needs and then volunteer in groups or by themselves (examples- ARC, VA, St. Vincent's)



# PROJECT IDEAS

## “Aktion Club/Key Club Car Wash” -

Key Clubbers get together with their local Aktion Club to participate in a joint car wash fundraiser. The proceeds may go to any cause the clubs agree on, and can be paired up with a bake sale to be even more successful.

## “Horses for Handicaps” -

Key Clubbers can assist those with special needs in horseback riding sessions. Volunteers can help by walking alongside the horse while the special needs kids are riding, or by setting up games.



# PROJECT IDEAS

- “Give Kids The World” - Key Clubbers can take a group of members to this organization to work with children that are either terminally ill, or handicapped.
- “Miracle League” - With this organization, Key Clubbers have the opportunity to help a physically or mentally disabled child learn how to play baseball.
- “Special Olympics” - It is very easy to get involved and a whole club would be able to volunteer at once, while engaging in athletic activities.



# PROJECT IDEAS

- 1) Set up a buddy system for kids with special needs at your school.
- 2) Raise money for braille or large print books for blind or visually impaired people.
- 3) Read books for blind or visually impaired people.
- 4) Make gifts for kids in the hospital.
- 5) Prepare sack lunches and deliver them to homeless.



# PROJECT IDEAS

**6) Work with physically challenged kids on an art project.**

**7) Build a ramp for a person in a wheelchair so it is easier for them to get in and out of their house.**

**8) Clean a yard for someone who cannot do it themselves.**

**9) Hold a prom for special needs individuals.**





# PROJECT IDEAS

**10) Design a campaign to promote tolerance and understanding of differences.**

**11) Volunteer as a counselor at a special needs camp.**

**12) Put on a talent or fashion show for a special needs audience .**

**13) Teach a life skill to a special needs adult or child , like how to do laundry, wash dishes, etc.**



# RESOURCES

- **GIVE KIDS THE WORLD – [www.gktw.org](http://www.gktw.org)**
- **SPECIAL OLYMPICS – [www.specialolympics.org](http://www.specialolympics.org)**
- **HEAVENLY HOOVES- [www.hhmri.org](http://www.hhmri.org)**
- **BUDDY BASEBALL- [www.buddybaseball.org](http://www.buddybaseball.org)**
- **TENNIS FOR FUN- [www.tennisforfun.org](http://www.tennisforfun.org)**
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# PROPER COMMUNICATION WITH THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

- **Speak directly**
- **Always identify yourself and others with you**
- **Treat adults as adults**
- **Always show patience**
- **Listen attentively**
- **Relax!**



# AWARDS

Receive at  
DCON by  
filling out  
online  
application

DCON  
Awards

Governor's  
Project  
Club  
Banner  
Patch

Governor's  
Project  
Member Pin

Monthly  
Awards

Governor's  
Project  
Member of  
the Month

Receive by being  
recognized by your  
LTG for hard work  
with SNAP



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