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50 Acts of Community Checklist How engaged in your community are you?

See how many activities you are already doing, and challenge yourself to do a few more. **Check it off when you do it!**

Lead

- 1. Get your name on the ballot for local, provincial or federal elections.
- 2. Organize a block BBQ celebration.
- 3. Organize a community table at a restaurant.
- 4. Serve on the board or stand for office in a local organization.
- 5. Chair a committee in an active charity or non-profit community service organization.

Act

- 6. Vote!
- 7. Be active in your community school, neighbourhood, civic, or community association.
- 8. Be active in a local service club or fraternal organization.
- 9. Provide some emotional support or counselling for someone who is showing stress in their life.
- 10. Teach, coach or tutor someone who wishes to improve their skills.
- 11. Provide childcare for someone who wishes to perform an **Act of Community.**
- 12. Volunteer for an organization, political party, etc.
- 13. Participate in a demonstration or protest.
- 14. Contact your local council member or municipal official about a local issue.
- 15. Write a letter to the editor of the newspaper about a local issue.

- 16. Do some essential paperwork; e.g., pay bills, banking, fill out tax forms for someone who needs assistance.
- 17. Take some time today for personal development; e.g., meditation, practice a musical instrument.
- 18. Be active in your union or professional association.

Care

- 19. Help a friend or neighbour with chores they are having difficulty getting done; e.g., cook a meal, weed the garden, shovel the snow.
- 20. Help someone get their essential errands done by driving to shopping, medical appointments, etc.
- 21. Visit a relative.
- 22. Make a new friend.
- 23. Nurture an existing friendship/relationship.
- 24. Check in on a neighbour today.
- 25. Give an egg to a desperate neighbogr who is in the middle of making a recipe and is in need.
- 26. Participate in a community-wide event; e.g., pick up litter day, earth day.
- 27. Participate in local events to protect the local environment.
- 28. Socialize today with family, friends, or neighbours.
- 29. Go for a walk or a hike in a local conservation area or park.
- 30. Try a new thing today.
- 31. Join a recreation organization; e.g., sports club, health club.
- 32. Join a cultural organization; e.g., book club, theatre group, choir.
- 33. Join a public interest group; e.g., food security, environment, homelessness.
- 34. Babysit your neighbour's kids / grandchildren.
- 35. Sign up at the local volunteer services agency to let organizations know that you are available.
- 36. Write a letter to a local friend.
- 37. Listen to someone / be a good listener.
- 38. Attend synagogue, church, mosque, etc. or participate in a related activity.

39.	Attend a municipal council meeting.
40.	Attend a Ward or neighbourhood meeting.
41.	Attend a local planning meeting or open house.
42.	Join a Facebook page on a local issue.
43.	Play a sport – on a team or with an informal group.
44.	Use your public library.
45.	Visit an historic site in your community today.
46.	Attend a cultural event; e.g., festival, art exhibition, dance or theatre performance
	concert.
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47.	Hang out on the front porch or over the fence with your neighbours.
48.	Share flowers from your garden with a neighbour.
49.	Borrow a cup of sugar for a baking project.
50.	Meet and greet your letter carrier.
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