

Parents of Elementary

Facts about Young People and Giving

A lot of young people give and help others. Each year, young people in America give more than 1.3 billion hours of community service. Other facts:

- About 55 percent of all young people volunteer.
- Almost twice as many young people volunteer compared to adults.
- Most young people volunteer through a religious organization, school, or youth leadership organization such as a scouting organization or 4H.
- About two out of five young people participate in a volunteer or community service activity through school.
- Young people who attend worship services (through a church, synagogue, or mosque) are more likely to volunteer than young people who do not attend religious services.
- Young people are more likely to volunteer when someone in their family volunteers.
- Young people are more likely to volunteer when everyone in their family volunteers.



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