

**Bellingham Kiwanis Club
Community Services Proposed Projects
2026-2027**

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Alderwood School programs

Volunteer to assist with Alderwood School projects as need. Jan F. will keep us up to date on projects. Sign up will be individuals volunteering from the club. Club Donation will also be made to the School PTA.

Month: October

Responsible: Jan F.

Alderwood School-Dolphin Dash-

Assist with schools Dolphin Dash by marking number of laps students are doing during their run.

Month: October

Responsible: Jan F.

Marilyn's Floral Projects

Member does class presentation in LCH class room on Floral Design for a couple of classes. Also any other opportunities during the year.

Month: September/October

Responsible: Marilyn

Bellingham Parks Volunteer Community Work Parties/ Clean up

This is from 9-12 park clean up in the little park that has been sponsored by the club for many years. It is located behind the City Hall. Volunteer for other Projects that Bellingham Parks sponsors such as planting seedlings.

Month: October

Responsible: Jan A

STEAM Project Lynden Noon Kiwanis One Day Project Joint with Lynden & Ferndale

Kiwanis STEAM Expo provides interactive, educational and fun exploration of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math for children 5 to 12 years old. We host a table with multiple activities.

Month: November —11:00-3:00—NWWF grounds

Responsible: Jan A

Interfaith Winter Coat Drive

Assist with Interfaith Coat Drive, by collecting used or new coats. Helping to sort coats and assist with the delivery of them. All coats will need to be clean and in a labeled and sealed bag. (Make a Difference Day Project)

Month: October (Sign up online for a Time)

Responsible: Elizabeth

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Winter Hats and Scarves

Make hat and scarfs for the Non-Profit in need including Interfaith. Members can get together and cut scarves from fleece. Cost: Fleece for scarves on hand.

Month: October/November, 2026

Responsible: Jan A.

Senior Center Craft Fair Fund Raiser

Set up Craft table at Senior Center to sell members' crafts for income. We'll also work on promoting our Bellingham Kiwanis Club. 140 E Bellis Fair, Bellingham—Near Winco

Month: November 14th, 2026

Responsible: Jan F./Jan A.

3rd grade Dictionaries

Provide Dictionaries to the 3rd graders in the Bellingham Schools estimate 900 students. Funds are donated by WECU and the Club. Members do presentations to the class rooms.

Month: Oct - December 2026/January 2027

Responsible: Mike & Elizabeth

Bring Joy to a Child (Key Club)

Sehome Key Club comes to our meeting to sell bake goods to raise funds for their homeless families. We can also support by purchasing other needs, provide hats & scarves.

Month: November/December 2026

Responsible: Emily & Russ

Salvation Army Giving Tree at the Mall

Volunteer at the mall to sit at the "Giving Tree," helping people get tags to purchase gifts for the Salvation Army to give to families. Accepting Gifts at Salvation Army Office during December. This would be a sign up on your own, but as a project we will promote in our Kiwanis meetings.

Month: December 2026

Responsible: Jan F./Linda

Bell Ringing for Salvation Army Bell Ringing is provided for the Salvation Army kettle during December at the Lakeway Fred Meyers, both entries; and also at Safeway.

Month: Dec. 5, 2026

Responsible: Jan A.

Arthritis Foundation Annual Bellingham Jingle Bell Run

Help with giving directions during the run or anything else needed.

Month: December 13, 2026

Responsible: Russ

Salvation Army Rock Painting

Clean and paint the small rocks outside Salvation Army Building. After a meeting get together, adding uplifting messages on rocks, no stickers.

Month: February 2027

Responsible: Emily/Jan A

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Bellingham Parks Volunteer Community

Planting Native Plants at Nurseries with 9-12 or 1-3 shifts

Month: March 2027

Responsible: Bruce/Jan A.

Camp Korey Rock Painting

This camp is for children and their families dealing with life-altering medical conditions completely free of charge. We will find small rocks individually & in a get-together, plan a paint party for painting, designing and writing messages. These rocks will then be given to Camp Korey to distribute throughout their camp - this makes walking around the property more fun and exciting. Hunting rocks August, September, October 2026.

Month: February & March 2027 Painting

Responsible: Jan A.

Value Village/Fund Raiser

Member collect bags of cloths, purses, & shoes over January through March. Bags are stored in designated locations, then on a pre-arranged date they are delivered to Value Village and weighed. The club earns on the weight.

Month: March 2027

Responsible: Elizabeth

Mt. Vernon Salmon BBQ /Fund Raiser

Members volunteer to help out on Fridays and Sundays to work at the BBQ. Our club is paid for the hours we work. April 2, 2027 - May 2, 2027

Month: April 2027—Fridays & Sundays

Responsible: Jan A./Elizabeth

Building and Industry Home Show Parking/Fund Raiser for Administration

Lynden Club does the parking for the Home Show and we volunteer to help park and are paid for the hours we work. Hopefully we will be able to assist with more shifts.

Month: April, 2027

Responsible: Jan A

Baby Food Drive Bellingham Food Bank/Donation

Work for a grant from Haggen's for the Bellingham Food Bank "Food 4 Tots" event.

Flexible on month for event.

Month: April/May 2027

Responsible: Jan A.

Alderwood Teacher Appreciation Lunch

Provide lunch for the Alderwood Teachers during teacher appreciation week.

Month: May 2027

Responsible: Jan A./Jan F.

Deming Log Show

Originally established in 1963, to financially assist loggers who were injured in the woods in Whatcom County. The Deming Logging Show has the best BBQ. Assist with prep-work and serving. Individual sign up.

Month: June 2027

Responsible: Ray/Linda

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Compass 2 Campus at Western

Provides low-income and Black, Indigenous, and students of color with trained college student mentors. Since Compass 2 Campus was founded in 2009, 5,833 mentors have provided 243,885 hours of mentoring to low-income and historically excluded 5th-12th grade students in 40 Whatcom and Skagit County schools and programs. We assist with a financial donation.

Month: July 2027

Responsible: Emily

Backpack Collection/Miscellaneous Item

Collect backpacks from members and donations from merchants. Larger-sized backpacks will be donated to the Northwest Youth Services for distribution; others to Hope House. Goal is 30 backpacks; also donation of toilet paper throughout the year.

Month: July & August 2027

Responsible: Jan A.

Northwest Washington Fair Parking/Fund Raiser/Administration

Members volunteer to park cars with the Lynden Kiwanis Club and we are paid for the number of hours that we are able to work.

Month: August 2027

Responsible: Jan A./Elizabeth

The Rascal Rodeo

The Rascal Rodeo at the Northwest Washington Fair (NWWF) in Lynden, WA is an adaptive, free event for people of all ages with special abilities

Month: August 2027

Responsible: Bekki

Senior Day in the Park

Assist with parking for "Senior Day In the Park".

Month: August 2027

Responsible: Jan F.

Unbridled Spirit Program

Sonja Wingard. Animal-assisted therapeutic facilitator and energy practitioner at Unbridled Spirit. Assist her with a project or two on the farm. (former ANT location).

Month: Sept. 2027 or as available

Responsible: Bruce

B'ham Tech School Project

Work on trimming and clean up the yard and playground for the Day Care Center at the Tech School. Tools and Materials are provided. Donation \$500

Month: September 2027 9-12

Responsible: Bruce/Russ

Special Olympics

Assist with North County Special Olympics on projects as requested.

Month: As needed

Responsible: Emily

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Monthly Projects

Miracle Food Network

Pick up Food in Ferndale, deliver to Cordata Presbyterian Church for families in need to pick up as needed. Time varies.

Month: 2nd Friday of every month

Responsible: Ray/Jan/Rich

Little Free Libraries in Low-income Areas + Follow up

Continue to maintain current Little Free Libraries as long as books are available from Library and we have someone to add books. This is still an option for 2027 if an opportunity arises for a new library, but not promoted & only to benefit children.

Month: As needed 2027

Responsible: Jan F/Russ

Hope House Donations/Volunteer help

Helping those in need. The Hope House is in need of toilet paper, blankets/linens, clothing, canned food, baby formula, size 4 & 5 diapers.

We will make donations throughout the year.

Month: Ongoing

Responsible: Jan F./Jan A.

Salvation Army Joint Projects

Work in partnership with the Salvation Army on camp projects, scholarship sponsorship, or other projects where they may request assistance. This would be in addition to the Bell Ringing and Angel tree.

Month: As needed

Responsible: Jan/Bruce

Salvation Army Food Bank

Bellingham Salvation Army support a Food Bank at 1515 Birchwood. Members can sign up to assist with the sorting and distribution of food weekly.

Month: Ongoing

Responsible: Linda

Whatcom Humane Society Thrift Shop

Donations are made to the store for resale. Donations are sorted and displayed for customers to purchase. Volunteers can sign up for shifts Wednesday-Sunday. Proceeds from purchases at WHS shop benefit daily operations and care for the domestic, wild and farm animals in their shelter.

Month: Ongoing

Responsible: Linda

Wildlife Rehabilitation Center

Provides specialized care, treatment, and services to the animals received at their facility. We volunteer for projects.

Month: Ongoing

Responsible: Linda

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Wild Bird

Wild Bird Charity provides 2 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 2 Dinners, and several snacks each weekend to needy children in Whatcom County. Kiwanis volunteers unpack boxes of food and make up bags on Wednesdays, and on Thursdays, the remaining bags are made up for distribution on Fridays at the schools.

Weekly: September thru June

Responsible: Linda/Jan

Blue Skies for Children

Their Little Wishes Ongoing Enrichment program provides opportunities for children to participate in after school enrichment opportunities. This program's wish requests are unique to the needs of each child. They also distribute new quality shoes, backpacks, winter coats, and other essentials to children.

Month: As needed

Responsible: Elizabeth/Emily