

Idyllwild Pines GIVEBACKATHON

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A COUPLE HUNDRED IDEAS FOR GIVING BACK

- Hold the door open for someone.
- Walk an elderly lady across the crosswalk.
- Buy the coffee of the person behind you in the drive through.
- Walk someone's dog for them.
- Put money in a meter that is expired so the person doesn't get a ticket.
- Give away clothing to someone on the street.
- Buy a homeless person a meal.
- Pay off someone's past due library charges.
- Buy sunglasses for a homeless person if it is bright out.
- Wash a car for a buddy.
- Read to children during story time at your local library
- Pick up trash on your street.
- Anonymously pay for someone's meal when dining out.
- Reach out to a past teacher letting them know how much they helped you.
- Buy a person's bus pass. (Daily range from 1 to 3 bucks, and monthly 30-50 bucks)
- Leave a huge tip for a waiter or some sort of hospitality worker.
- Write a thank you letter to a soldier.
- Send your mom or grandma flowers.
- Pay for the haircut of someone getting cut next to you.
- Babysit a friend's kid for free.
- Do your roommate's laundry when you are doing yours and fold it.
- Put 10 positive comments on people's blogs.
- Help a friend find a job or better job if they already have one.
- Put a note on someone's car that says: "I hope you have the best day ever!"
- Hold the elevator door for someone or let people go in first before you.
- Send copies of an inspirational book to your closest friends.
- Let someone cut in line in front of you at the grocery store.
- Help an elderly lady put groceries in her car.
- Create a thoughtful playlist for someone close to you.
- Make a meal for someone, breakfast in bed or bring lunch to a loved one at work.
- Bring donuts and coffee to your work one day.
- Leave a review on YELP about how awesome a restaurant and/or server was.
- Help a friend with yard work.
- Encourage a friend to go after their goals.
- Send a friend a \$20 Amazon gift card.
- Let someone in when driving in traffic.
- Buy a friend a bag full of groceries.
- Offer to cover someone's shift so they can have a day off.
- Smile at every stranger you walk by on the street for the day.
- Buy an umbrella for a homeless person when it is raining.

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- Give a homeless person your jacket.
- Offer to babysit for one of your friends or kid sit so they can get some time to themselves.
- Post a string of motivational quotes on social media.
- Compliment a family on how nice a family they are when you are out in public. (How their kids must have awesome parents)
- Pay someone an awesome compliment in front of a group of people.
- Buy someone a flower and leave it on their desk or doorstep.
- Plant a tree.
- Volunteer at the animal shelter and bring treats for the animals.
- Create a digital album for a friend or the good memories you have created or simply pictures that you have taken the remind you of them.
- Call your momma and tell her how fantastic she is.
- Wipe down the windshield of a friend's car when you guys stop at the car wash.
- Truly listen to someone without interjecting.
- Call a friend who is down and out and tell them they are strong and are going to get through it.
- Go play a board game with someone at an elderly folks' home.
- Leave a dollar bill on the ground near where children are walking and watch how much joy they get from finding it.
- Reach out and thank your favorite company or brand for the products or services they create.
- Make a custom-made shirt or hat online for a friend and send it to their address.
- Truly thank your parents for doing the best they could to raise you.
- Donate all the things you don't really need anymore to the Goodwill.
- Donate your hair to Locks of Love.
- Write a poem to someone.
- Donate a pint of blood or even plasma!
- Be someone's accountability partner.
- Say happy birthday to someone you see when you get notified that is their birthday on Facebook. (Send them a DM or if you see them out often, tell them directly)
- Bring a sick friend a cup of soup and a hot chocolate.
- Go over and above to help someone that is lost. Converse with them about where they are from and how long they are staying.
- See the best in someone.
- Pass along an awesome book that you have just completed and write a quick note to the person about how you hope they get the most out of it.
- Tell your grocery checker that you hope they have the best day of their life.
- Brush your friend's dog.

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- Help a mom carry her stroller down a curb or up a flight of steps.
- Compliment someone on their unique style.
- Sponsor a child in need.
- Give your extra books to the library as a donation.
- Put out a cup of water when you see a dog leashed up.
- Leave extra money in the vending machine so someone can get a free snack.
- Give up your seat to anyone who needs it.
- Go to a kids friends sports game and cheer them on.
- Wave to fireman or policemen as a thank you for their service.
- Reach out to the pastor of your church and tell him how awesome their messages are and how great he/she is at teaching their craft.
- High five someone.
- Let a friend know your favorite quality about their child.
- Leave quarters in the quarter slot, enough for a load of laundry at the laundry mat.
- Say hello to every veteran you meet and thank them for their service.
- Send someone some preventative measures for cold season like vitamin C or a good essential oil.
- Tell someone that you believe in them when they tell you about their goal. (Or just in general)
- Tell your friend what your favorite quality about them is.
- Donate your computer to a student from a challenged neighborhood.
- Let someone know how great their marriage is and how great of a couple they are.
- Send an email of a funny joke to one of your friends or family members.
- Pray for someone else.
- Give a bottle of water to a homeless person.
- Feed some birds.
- Write a positive message or quote on the sidewalk of a busy street where a lot of people will see it.
- Put a couple kindness stones in the park or in random potted plants.
- Bake cookies or muffins and bring them to all the bank tellers at your preferred bank.
- Write a get-well card to someone who is sick.
- Make a double portion of food that you bring to work for lunch and give it away.
- Give someone else the cab that you flagged down.
- Help someone put luggage into the overhead bin or grab it off the baggage claim line for them.
- Write an encouraging message, print out 10 copies and staple them on 10 light poles in the neighborhood.

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- Call up a friend and laugh about your favorite memory with them.
- Let the person at the coffee shop have the cream before you.
- Give your friend the last slice of pizza.
- Help someone fix a flat tire.
- Send school supplies to your local elementary school.
- Offer to change a friend's oil.
- Mail a thank you letter to a veteran.
- Return a couple shopping carts when you are walking into the store.
- Donate canned goods to a food pantry.
- Praise your boss either verbally or through a thank you note.
- Tip the musician that is playing on the street and tell them you hope they make it big.
- Do someone else's chore in your household.
- Ask if you can grab anything for anyone when leaving the house or going outside the office.
- Offer to house sit for a friend while they are on vacation.
- Compliment someone on how well they have raised their kids.
- Throw a surprise party for a friend, or just because for someone you care about.
- Celebrate a friend's victory or promotion by buying them lunch.
- Offer to take someone's photo when they are trying to take one of themselves.
- Bring someone a souvenir from somewhere you traveled to.
- Help a buddy move.
- Rally up a blanket donation and bring them all to the homeless shelter.
- Paint or clean off graffiti.
- Give away your boxes to a friend that you know that is moving.
- Give someone working on your house, like the painter, electrician or handyman a soda or cold glass or water.
- Bring a candy bar to a friend at work.
- Donate some of your gently worn shoes to "Soles4Souls."
- Offer help to a friend to unpack after they have moved or when they get home from a long trip.
- Send a copy of a photo to a friend of a good memory of you two.
- Run an errand for a buddy.
- Wash someone's dishes.
- Pay way more than kids charge at a lemonade stand.
- Put away dishes your roommates left out to dry while you are cleaning up.
- Donate your old phones and phone chargers to "Cell Phones For Soldiers."
- Buy a pack of gum for someone else when you are buying your own.
- Throw out the trash on the way out of your friend's house.
- Start to recycle more often.

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- Clean out the microwave at work.
- Give the person next to you a word of encouragement at the gym to keep up with the healthy habit.
- Text a friend a motivational quote.
- Give your old bike to someone who doesn't have a car.
- Help a friend shop for deals for their next trip. Deals on travel, expenses, fun etc.
- Offer someone a ride to an appointment or meeting where it takes forever to find parking.
- Bring in your neighbor's trash cans when you bring yours in.
- Share discount coupons you find with friends.
- Save a parking spot for someone when you are leaving yours. (Flag them down)
- Let someone know about a job opening that you saw.
- Offer a free weekend class that teaches kids what you know.
- Directly thank a police officer for the work that they do.
- Thank the mail man for always getting your mail to you on time.
- Become an organ donor.
- Hand out bottles of hand sanitizer.
- Tell your barista how much you appreciate them keeping you caffeinated and how you wouldn't be the same without them!
- Call your grandparents and tell them how you loved that they spoiled you as a kid.
- Call the person that made the biggest influence in your life and let them know how much they mean to you.
- Thank a soldier for their service and offer to buy them lunch or coffee.
- Clean up someone else's tray and dump it when you are at a fast food joint.
- Donate old toys to Toys for Tots so less fortunate children around the world can have a great Christmas.
- Read a book out loud to a friend or loved one. Even a magazine. Let them take a load off!
- Run or walk a 5K for a cause you believe in.
- Bring extra coupons and give them out to people in line at the store you go to.
- Make a pot of coffee when the coffee is low at the office.
- Build a bird feeder and put it in the park and put food in it each week.
- Adopt an animal.
- Bring coloring books to the pediatric wing of a hospital.
- Buy the movie ticket for the person in line behind you.
- Thank the cooks at the restaurant you go to for cooking you such great food.
- Invite a co-worker or friend over for a home cooked meal.
- Thank your janitor for keeping your building clean.

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- Send a note to the police station letting them know how much you appreciate them keeping you safe.
- Leave some change at the playground for kids to find.
- Put flowers in a random mailbox.
- Write a motivational or nice message on a napkin and leave it at the coffee shop.
- Let someone cut in front of you who has less items at the grocery store.
- Grab the door for someone when they are coming into a place that you are already in.
- Pick a friend up from the airport.
- Clean the house so that your loved ones or roommates come home to a sparkling clean home!
- Text someone that you just met up with or talk to about how you enjoyed the conversation and time they took to chat.
- Praise a co-worker to your manager. Either in front of them or without them knowing.
- Buy the bags for someone behind you in the grocery line, leaving the clerk a dollar for their bags.
- Bring some healthy snacks to the office to promote wellness!
- Put a friend on your gym membership for a month to get them going with fitness.
- Offer a ride to a friend who doesn't have a car or even carpool with someone to help them save gas.
- Bake cookies for someone.
- Randomly ask how you can help someone in general or how you can help them get closer to their goals and dreams.
- Buy some toys for your friend's dog.
- Buy a bookmark for someone we know who loves to read!
- Leave an extra generous tip.
- Give a friend a BPA free water bottle that they can drink out of to help their health and save them money.
- Pay to bridge toll for the person driving behind you.
- Talk to a lonely senior for a few minutes.