

High-Impact Service Survey

This activity will allow members to:

- Think about how to successfully complete a high-impact service project.
- Analyze the best way to make an impact with a service project.
- Collectively choose a service project.

Materials needed:

- One worksheet per club. (print it at buildersclub.org/IDEA)

How to lead this activity:

Your club is doing a great job! There's just one more test to solidify the club's service project. It's time to take the High-Impact Service Survey challenge!

1. At the club meeting, congratulate members on choosing a partner organization and determining their service project. Explain that only one challenge remains before they can make the service project official.
2. Officers should report the results of their conversation with your partner organization's representative, including any suggestions for the club and whether the project was approved.
3. Using the High-Impact Service Survey, ask members to vote on the answers to each question by a show of hands.
4. Score the survey to determine if your service project qualifies as high-impact. If it doesn't, work with your advisors to tweak your project and then try the survey again.
5. At the end of this activity, ask for a round of applause. Your club has officially decided on a high-impact service project! Congratulations!



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Has your club chosen a high-impact service project? Answer the following questions to determine if it will have a long-lasting impact on your partner organization and your club.

1. Will this service project make an impact on our school or community?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure
2. Do we feel excited about this service project?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure
3. Thinking back on our research and interviews, do we feel confident that this service project truly will benefit our partner organization?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure
4. Does this service project fill a need for a long period of time?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure
5. Can we finish this service project before the end of the school year?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure
6. Do we feel confident that we will complete this service project successfully?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure
7. Do our faculty advisor and Kiwanis advisor both believe that this is the right high-impact service project for us to complete? *
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not sure

**If the answer is NO to this question, the club needs to work with advisors to revise the service project until the answer is YES.*

Scoring:

Did your club answer “Yes” to most questions? Great job! You’re well on your way to creating a high-impact service project. This is important because the difference you will make in your school and community will last longer than the service project itself. If the club answered “No” to any question, take a few minutes to discuss why and talk about how everyone can work to make it a “Yes.”

Did your club answer “No” to most of the questions? Your club has good intentions but needs to think some more about the service project you’ve created. Remember, the project should be realistic and exciting to members. Consult with your advisors for guidance and tweak the plan to turn some of those no’s into yes’s.

Did your club answer “Not sure” to any of the questions? Your club is on the right track, but you need a little help making some changes. Talk with your club advisors to figure out how your club can leave a longer-lasting impact with the service project. Then try to answer the questions again.