

MAKE A DIFFERENCE MONTH

RIDGEFIELD, WA

NOVEMBER 4—DECEMBER 1, 2023

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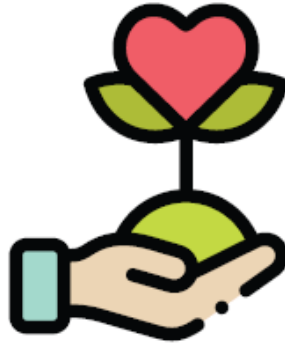
The Make A Difference Month Activity Packet

This packet includes weekly scheduled activities and ideas for how YOU can Make A Difference this November. Use the last page of this packet (Activity Journal) to track your involvement. Use the packet or come up with your own activities and find which category you have room to improve upon. If you would like to share your journal, submit the final page to Ridgefield City Hall (230 Pioneer St) or via email to Events@ridgefieldwa.us and we will post it on the Ridgefield First Saturdays Facebook page.

Please share with us by December 6th!



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Week 1, Nov. 4 – 10

Stewardship

Take action to care for your parks, trails, water systems, and community.

Goal: Pick 1 orange activity and 2 other activities per week!

Make a Difference Activities

Participate in the Nov. 4th Watershed Alliance Volunteer Tree Planting at Horn's Corner. [Click to sign up and learn more.](#)

Read the [Stormwater Education](#) page on our website and choose one way to make a change in your daily life to help prevent pollution.

Register to attend the Ridgefield Main Street Wine Walk on November 4th and support the Ridgefield Non-profits that are volunteering.

Attend a meeting in your community (Ridgefield Main Street, HOA, Ridgefield Chamber Coffee Connections, non-profit, etc.)

Learn what your [Water Footprint](#) is and change at least one habit to reduce this number for the month of November.

Support local artists at the November 4th [Clark County Open Studios](#) art tour on Nov. 4th.

Throw your pumpkin away in your yard debris bin (Accepted by Clark County, except Camas/Washougal. [Learn More](#))

Walk or bike one of Ridgefield's trails instead of watching TV or spending time on your phone.

Adopt a Compassion360 Thanksgiving Box. Adopt a Box for \$40 or donate what you can! Donate [here](#) or reach out to Compassion360!

Post a photo on social media after being a steward of your community and use the hashtag [#RidgefieldCares](#)

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Week 2, Nov. 11 – 17
**Small Acts of
Kindness**

Spread kindness in our
community with small acts
every day.

Goal: Pick 1 orange activity and 2 other activities per week!

Make a Difference Activities

Select a Ridgefield non-profit and donate to their cause! List of non-profits found [here](#).

Spread the word on 11/13 that it is World Kindness Day. Share Ridgefield First Saturday's post on Facebook or create your own.

Sign up to be a Walk and Knock volunteer for the 12/2 collection day. Details and sign up found [here](#).

Show the earth some kindness on National Recycling Day 11/15 and use the [Waste Wizard](#) to help you remember what items you can recycle!

Compliment 5 people this week.

Donate blood at the Nov. 13th Bloodworks NW Blood Drive at Rosauers or donate at any blood drive happening soon. For more details or to schedule your visit [click here](#).

Write an encouraging note to a friend or family member.

Help a friend or stranger in need with a care package or gift.

Thank a veteran for their service on Veteran's Day 11/11 or visit American Legion's Veteran's Day Ceremony at Overlook Park.

Make a donation of new children's coats, hats, gloves or toiletries to Ridgefield Family Resource Center at one of the bins in Ridgefield. Locations and Details found [here](#).

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Week 3, Nov. 18 – 24

Gratitude

Give thanks for the things that you have and give if can.

Goal: Pick 1 orange activity and 2 other activities per week!

Make a Difference Activities

Pay it forward at a Drive-Thru or Coffee Shop!

Post a social media “gratitude shout out” for a local business, coworker, or someone close to you. Tag @RidgefieldFirstSaturdays

Pick a Gratitude exercise from this [list](#) and choose to implement it in your life for at least 1 week!

Start keeping a Gratitude Journal to remind yourself of the good things in life.

Share what you’re grateful for at Thanksgiving or during one of your meals this week.

Make a donation of new children’s coats, hats, gloves or toiletries to Ridgefield Family Resource Center at one of the bins in Ridgefield. Locations and Details found [here](#).

Send a thank you note to someone who you appreciate.

Take a mindful walk to appreciate nature and your physical surroundings.

Return a favor to someone who has treated you well or supported you in some way.

Create a Gratitude Jar for your family to recognize appreciated behaviors.



Week 4, Nov. 25 — Dec. 1



Community

Stay connected and support your community to continue making a difference.

Goal: Pick 1 orange activity and 2 other activities per week!

Make a Difference Activities

Come to downtown Ridgefield for Small Business Saturday on 11/25, 10am–2pm. Visit [Ridgefield Main Street](#) for more info!

[Register](#) to be a City of Ridgefield Volunteer. Get notified first when volunteer opportunities come up.

Show your community pride by wearing any local Ridgefield gear (school gear, past event t-shirt, Raptors gear, etc.)

Mark your calendar for [Ridgefield's Hometown Celebration 12/2](#).

Sign up for a future volunteer event with a local non-profit.

Pick a local organization and attend a public meeting to see if it's a good fit for you!

Visit a local Ridgefield restaurant or shop and show your support!

Try out one of Ridgefield's community parks or trails.

Explore the [Daycation page](#) on our website and make plans for one this winter or spring.

Check out the Ridgefield Community Library and get a card if you don't have one yet.



Activity Journal

Document what activities you did this month that made a difference! Mark what category it falls in and learn where you have room for improvement!

Name: _____

Date: _____

Write down when you do something that Makes a Difference. Check out all the ideas and events for ideas to get you started. Then, mark which category the activity belongs in: Stewardship, Small Acts of Kindness, Gratitude, or Community. Which one could you do better at next time?

Activity	Category