



NETWorks Cooperative Ministry Celebrates "Love Your Neighbor as Yourself" in Conjunction with 20th Anniversary Milestone

Celebrate Love Your Neighbor as Yourself Month with Acts of Kindness

Dear Friends,

February marks a special occasion at NETWorks Cooperative Ministries as we celebrate our 20th anniversary. To commemorate this significant milestone, we are designating February as "Love Your Neighbor as Yourself" month, in alignment with the teachings of Matthew 22:39. We invite you to join us in spreading love, compassion, and kindness throughout this meaningful month.

Acts of Kindness Suggestions:

- 1. Volunteer Your Time:** Dedicate some of your time to volunteer at NETWorks Cooperative Ministry or another community organization. Your presence can bring hope to individuals facing difficult circumstances.
- 2. Befriend a Neighbor:** Take the time to get to know your neighbors better. Simple acts like offering to help with groceries, raking leaves, or just stopping by for a friendly chat can brighten someone's day.
- 3. Write Letters of Appreciation:** Send handwritten letters or cards to people who have made a positive impact on your life. Express your gratitude and spread some joy.
- 4. Random Acts of Kindness:** Surprise someone with a random act of kindness, such as paying for a stranger's coffee, leaving an uplifting note in a public place, or offering to help a struggling neighbor with chores or errands.
- 5. Support Locally Owned Businesses:** Shop at local businesses and restaurants to support our community's economy. Consider leaving positive reviews and recommending them to friends and family.
- 6. Food Drive:** Start a food drive in your neighborhood, school, or workplace to collect non-perishable items.
- 7. Neighborhood Cleanup:** Organize a community cleanup day to beautify your neighborhood. Pick up litter, plant flowers, or engage in other activities to make your area more inviting.

8. **Kindness Calendar:** Create a kindness calendar with daily acts of kindness for yourself or your family to complete throughout the month.

9. **Share Your Talents:** Offer your skills and talents to those who could benefit from them. This could include teaching a class, offering free workshops, or providing pro bono services.

10. **Lend a Listening Ear:** Sometimes, the best way to show kindness is by being a good listener. Be there for someone who needs to talk or vent.

These acts of kindness are just a starting point. Feel free to get creative and come up with your own ways to spread love and goodwill in our community during "Love Your Neighbor as Yourself" month. **Together, we can make this February a truly special time of connection, compassion, and unity.**

Share your Kindness on Social Media with the #LYNAY and be sure to tag us on NETWorks' Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/networkscooperative/> and Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/networkscoop/> accounts.

If you have any other ideas or want to share your acts of kindness with us, please feel free to reach out to Stephanie Shapiro, sshapiro@networkscoop.org For additional information regarding Love Your Neighbor as Yourself month, visit www.networkscoop.org/LYNAY We'd love to hear your stories of love in action.

Thank you for being part of our celebration!

With gratitude and warm regards,



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