



# THE ADVENTURE BEGINS

The World Organization of the Scout Movement says that one of the most important parts of being a Scout is helping to create a better world. Today there are 47 million Scouts across the globe actively working to achieve this.

Your Section can contribute to this goal by having a positive impact on your local community.

A commitment to creating a better world is more than 'service'. Community Involvement is about being active and visible in the local community. Community Involvement must be a part of your Section program. Plan activities where your Section goes out and makes a positive impact on your local community.

### **Community involvement includes:**

- Voluntary service within and outside Scouting;
- Contributing to youth education on community and citizenship issues;
- Community partnerships;
- Having a community presence;
- Setting an example for responsible citizenship in the community;
- Empowering youth and the youth voice;
- Advocating for the interests and needs of youth.

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## Some examples of Community Involvement activities:

- Organising an environmental activity such as a tree planting day with your local community
- Hosting a wider community event such as a quiz, fete or promotional day
- Helping at a local animal shelter
- Attending community-based activities such as ANZAC day
- Visiting a community group that is excluded
- Running a cultural or disability awareness nights
- Visiting religious centres
- First aid training and bushfire awareness also allow Scouts to contribute actively to the community.
- A simple activity out in the community, such as a Scavenger Hunt
- Fundraising activities that increase the public's knowledge for Scouting



## Community Involvement is defined as:

Active exploration of an individual's commitment and responsibility to their community and the wider world.

The Mission of Scouting is to contribute to the education of young people, through a value system based on the Scout Promise and Law, to help build a better world where people are self-fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society



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