

50 ways to be involved in your neighborhood

Personal Activities

- Be Friendly.
- Welcome new people to the neighborhood
- Create a block/street email and phone contact list for safety.
- Create a neighborhood Facebook/Twitter/Google + group.
- Stay outside in the front yard longer while watering the yard.
- Sit on the front porch and let kids play in the front yard.
- Walk your dog regularly around the same time in your neighborhood.
- Attend the parties you're invited to by your neighbors.
- Become a regular at your neighborhood pool/park.
- Let neighbors know about any special skills and offer to help them for free.
- Start a compost pile and allow neighbors to dump their compost.
- Grow a garden and give out extra produce to neighbors.
- Volunteer to coach a local little league sports team.
- Ask longtime residents to help you learn about the neighborhood.
- Offer to babysit your neighbor's kids so they can have a date night.
- Attend and participate in HOA functions.
- Ask your HOA or apartment complex if they need help with anything.
- Take your neighbors gifts during the holiday season.
- Take their garbage can out (or in) from the curb.



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Food-related Activities

- Bake and distribute fresh bread, cookies, pie, or brownies.
- Cook an extra casserole and give it to a neighbor.
- Buy an extra dozen donuts and give them to a neighbor.
- Invite neighbors over for dinner.
- Host a coffee and dessert night.
- Host a regular Saturday morning breakfast potluck.
- Host a weekly open meal night in your home.
- Host a summer BBQ every Friday night and invite others to contribute.
- Host a front yard ice cream party in the summer.
- Organize a progressive dinner on your street.



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Other Group Activities

- Organize a food or clothing drive.
- Host a game night (yard games outside, or board games inside).
- Host an Art swap night – bring out what you're tired of and trade with neighbors.
- Organize an Easter egg hunt on your block and invite neighbors use their front yards.
- Host a sports game watching party.
- Start a book club.
- Organize a community yard sale
- Organize and host a crafts night or sewing group.
- Host a movie night.
- Start a walking/running group in the neighborhood.
- Host a play date weekly for other stay-at-home parents.
- Organize a carpool for your neighborhood.
- Organize an effort for neighbors to assist elderly in the neighborhood.
- Collect second hand items and offer to take them to a nearby charity.
- Go Christmas caroling in your neighborhood (invite neighbors in on it).
- Offer free hot chocolate during the holiday season.
- Throw a July 4th block party.
- Find out your neighbors birthdays. Take them a card and baked goods on it.
- Setup a meet your neighbors night with drinks in your driveway/front yard.
- If you have young kids, organize a playdate with another mom.
- Write encouraging notes to your neighbors.

