Community Service Ideas for Scouts

1. **Call and check on your elderly neighbors.** Offer to run important errands like grocery shopping or walking their pets.
2. **Write letters to senior citizens in nursing homes or assisted living facilities.** They are currently not allowed to have visitors, including family members, so they can use a positive note of encouragement.
3. **Donate canned goods and non-perishable food to your local food bank.** There are many people who have lost their employment because of the Covid-19 outbreak and food banks are experiencing shortages.
4. **Give blood.** The American Red Cross and other providers are experiencing a blood shortage because of the Covid-19 pandemic.
5. **Donate money to your favorite non-profit including the Longs Peak Council, BSA.** Many charities are facing a downturn in donations and are being forced to cut staff or cut back on services. CharityNavigator.org and charitywatch.org are great resources to find highly rated non-profits that provide essential services to the community.
6. **Get involved with your local neighborhood assistance network(s) such as Nextdoor groups, Facebook groups, etc.** to share information and help your neighbors in need.
7. **Remember our first responders and medical providers.** Our Packs and Troops can pick a local group to support by purchasing bagels and coffee or having pizza delivered on behalf of your unit.
8. **Support your local restaurants** by purchasing gift cards, meals for your family, or have meals delivered to first responders and medical personnel.
9. **Make homemade masks for North Range Behavioral Health or other medical providers in your community** using the diagram in the link below. These masks can be worn over N95 masks to help protect the N95 masks or they can be given to hospital patients to help stop the spread of the coronavirus. Instructions can be found here: https://www.greeleytribune.com/news/north-range-seeks-homemade-masks-gowns-for-safety-of-clients-staff/
10. **Take care of yourself and your loved ones by adhering to the stay-at-home orders.** This is a great time to bond with our families and practice being kind to one another. (sixth point of the Scout Law)

Stay safe and keep Scouting!