

# Random Acts of Christmas Kindness Ideas

Acknowledge someone who has helped you today, no matter how small or easy the task

Adopt a classroom in need (send holiday treats, craft supplies)

Adopt a family in need from church, your child's school or a local shelter

Anonymously pay for someone's dinner

Ask someone about something important to them and genuinely show interest in what they have to say

Babysit so a husband and wife can have a date

Bake something and take it to work/school

Bring a new mom a casserole/soup/dinner

Bring a single parent cookie dough (make it yourself and refrigerate in a log)

Bring food to a bachelor

Bring hot chocolate to bell ringers

Bring someone who lives alone a surprise (like kid art) and visit them

Buy 4 \$5.00 gift cards and pass them out to people on the street

Check in on someone you know is alone

Chop firewood for senior citizens

Clean out toys, clothes, etc and donate them

Count your blessings and write them down

Deliver Christmas treats to neighbors

Deliver poinsettias, treats, and cards to the local assisted living center

Donate blankets, towels, or pet food to a local animal shelter

Donate canned goods to local food pantry

Drop off books and magazines to a hospital, nursing home or doctor's office

Forgive someone in a bad mood or who is negative today and say something genuinely nice to them

Give a compliment to the manager of someone who helps you today

Go to a grocery store and hand a (grocery store) gift card to someone standing in line

Hand out pretty flowers (fresh, fake, crafted, drawn)

Have your child make homemade cards and deliver them to a women's shelter or children's hospital

Help someone at the grocery store retrieve something out of their reach or difficult for them

Hold the door open for someone today

Instead of complaining about something, give someone a compliment

Leave a basket of Christmas gifts on the doorstep of a family I need

Leave a tip for someone who helps you regularly

Leave candy canes on cars

Leave mini candy canes on a pull-tab sheet on bulletin boards

Leave small Christmas treats/gifts in shopping carts for folks to find

Listen to (don't just hear them) everyone you speak with today

Make a card and send it to a friend for no reason

Make a street pretty for Christmas (pick up roadside trash, put ribbons on trees...)

Make and deliver "blessing bags" to the homeless

Make eye contact and smile at those you encounter today

Offer someone behind you at the grocery store to go ahead of you

Offer to buy a pack of gum or mints for the checkout clerk at grocery store

Offer to help someone do a task they don't want to do

Offer to help someone who looks like they need assistance (i.e. an elderly person pumping gas, etc.)

Pay for donuts and coffee at church/school/club

Pay for the person behind you at a coffee shop or drive-thru

Purchase toys for kids in need

Renew a relationship with someone you've lost touch with

Run an errand for someone

Say an encouraging word today

Say hello to everyone you come into contact with today

Send a friendly note or verse to a long lost friend

Send a thank you note to someone who has helped you in the past

Send a box of mittens and hats to a homeless shelter

Send someone a small gift anonymously

Shovel snow for an elderly neighbor

Smile at everyone you meet today

Take an all-night gas station employee a surprise

Tape coins & candy canes to soda/vending machines

Tape coins to gumball/vending machines

Tape microwave popcorn to Redbox machine

Tape money to a parking meter

Tell all your family members how much you appreciate them

Thank a teacher, bring a card and treats

Thank the local firefighters, bring a card and treats

Thank the local librarians, bring a card and treats

Thank the local police officers, bring a card and treats

Thank the local post office employees, bring a card and treats

Visit a senior center, bring pretty pictures and sing carols

Visit a shopping mall and hand out lollipops or fruit leather to kids

Visit a shopping mall and help shoppers load bags into their cars

Visit a shopping mall and hold open doors for shoppers

Visit a shopping mall and leave little Christmas treats in the carts for  
the next shopper

Visit a shopping mall and leave quarters at the coin-operated rides

Visit a shopping mall and set up a free gift wrap station

Visit a shopping mall and take carts back for shoppers

Visit a shopping mall or park and pick up any litter you see

Visit the hospital and deliver snacks to the nurse's station

Visit the hospital and leave stuffed animals or coloring books &  
crayons on the children's floor

Visit the library and put dollar bills in some of your favorite books

Visit the public library and pay for someone's overdue fines

Visit your neighbors with a card and well wishes

Volunteer in a classroom

Write a thank you note for the crossing guard at school