



ZONTA
INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 7
EMPOWERING WOMEN
THROUGH SERVICE & ADVOCACY



Zonta District 7 Centennial Celebration Common Action Project

Your Clubs are challenged to gather 100 items or multiples of 100 different items for one or more of your recipients of your fundraising. Easy Steps to organize a great Common Action Event:

1. Choose your recipient (s)
 - a. Larger Clubs can divide Club members into teams; each team chooses an agency to receive the items (Zonta Club of St Cloud example is attached)
 - b. Use “most needed” items lists (usually posted on their websites) AND ASK the agency what they could use in multiples of 100 (and do they have available storage room)
2. Ask teams to have 100% participation of the members
 - a. Larger teams can divide into several smaller teams (of 2-3 members) and select their own item to collect; communication can be done via email, meetings not necessary
 - b. Participation can be measured by contributing \$\$ or items
3. Keep track of the dollar value of the donations (agencies need this information); then, also report the aggregate dollar value your Club donated to Shelley and Debra (see contact information below) at the end of your Common Action Project
4. Deliver the products on or near November 9, 2019, to honor ZI Centennial Celebration
 - a. Take MANY photos of team members and recipients and products
 - b. Prominently display Zonta Banners in your photos
 - c. Share photos with District 7 (send to Shelley Schultz – shelley7.schultz@gmail.com AND Debra Kellerman – debra@wikel.com)
 - d. Pre-arrange local media to attend the Common Action Day – gain media coverage to increase Zonta’s visibility and inform the wider community of our work
Our goal: We want to spread the word of your local impact AND District 7’s impact on our area communities.

Reach out to friends and family for funds to help out or they can give donations of your chosen item(s); host garage sales, other events, to raise funds for this; ask stores for donations or at cost pricing when you are shopping for the items; watch for sales, etc. Keep track (if multiple teams) of the items being collected (share coupons, sources for products at reduced prices, etc.)

If your team(s) receive a donation from a local business, include a thank you card addressed and stamped within the product bag, with a “Zonta thanks” and leave space for the agency to add their note of gratitude, and ask the agency to then mail it to the business.

NOTES/BRAINSTORM IDEAS....

As an example, below is how the Zonta Club of St Cloud launched this project in January 2019.

TEAMS	TEAM LEADER	ITEM(S)	TEAM MEMBERS (Max. -- 8 members)
Anna Marie's	Debbie Grant	Socks and booties Women's underwear Hot Chocolate packages Sample size grooming items Deliver the items in cloth tote bags	Deb Schroeder
Journey Home	Jan Bensen	Adult Coloring Books/ Pencils/pens/sharpeners Hot Chocolate packages Deliver the items in cloth tote bags	Joal Pietz
Terebinth Refuge	Lin Skorseth	**see notes below for ideas (team chooses item/items) Toothpaste & toothbrushes Hot Chocolate packages Deliver the items in cloth tote bags	Susan Voeltz
Central MN Sexual Assault Center (CMSAC)	Alicia Reif	**see notes below for ideas (team chooses item/items) Toothpaste & toothbrushes Hot Chocolate packages Hair brushes & combs Deliver the items in cloth tote bags	Deb Kellerman

From their websites and published wish lists:

Terebinth Shelter needs/
CMSAC client needs:

Retractable gel pens, boxes of kleenix, 4 x 6 post it notes
personal hygiene items (tampax, maxi pads, light day pads)
Women's underwear
Lip balm/chapstick
Individual packages of kleenix
Regular size lotions, body wash, shampoo, conditioner
Hair brushes/combs
Regular size tooth brushes/tooth paste
Adult size fuzzy socks or regular size socks
Individual metro bus tokens or 10-ride passes
Gas cards (Kwik trip sells **fuel-only cards** , other stations may
have these too – check around)
Subway or McDonalds gift cards, Pizza places too
Stress-relieving items – fidgets, stress balls, silly putty, play-
doh, adult coloring books/pens/pencils/sharpeners