



GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY

APRIL 22nd-25th, 2010

Join the largest celebration of youth and the contributions they make to their communities!

OUR GOALS

Greater Hartford has the great opportunity to be involved in Global Youth Service Day. Our Piece of the Pie has been chosen to be Hartford's lead agency. OPP has a coordinator, Abbie Dym, who is available to answer any questions about this event. Our goals for Hartford 2010 are:

- Over 40** projects for youth to choose from
- Over 1000** youth active in service learning programs

WHO CAN GET INVOLVED?

Schools, faith-based groups, non-profit and community organizations can create service projects for youth to attend or volunteer. They can decide the amount of youth, type of project, and time table of event.

Youth Organizations can work with their youth to volunteer for or create a project. Youth will gain service hours and will have the opportunity to give back to their community.

GYSD is aimed towards youth 5-24; however we encourage families and adults to join us in service!

WHAT IS GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY?

Global Youth Service Day (GYSD) is an annual global event that hopes to

- **MOBILIZE** young people to identify and address their community's needs and promote organizational and media involvement to foster youth engagement.
- **SUPPORT** youth on a lifelong path of civic engagement and community serve and help schools and organizations to enhance youth engagement through training and technical assistance, grants and the provision of other important resources.
- **SUSTAIN** community improvement by youth in the years that follow their experience in GYSD
Youth are essential problem-solvers and can make change when dedicated to lifelong service!!!
PROJECTS will address community needs such as literacy, the environment, hunger, homelessness, and more.

Highlights of Global Youth Service Day:

Thursday April 22nd

4-5:30 Kick-Off Event at the Old State House- open to all Greater Hartford Youth

Friday April 23rd - Sunday April 25th

8:00-5:00 p.m. SERVICE-DAY EVENTS

Examples of Projects: Sorting bread at Foodshare, volunteering as an Avon Senior Center Cleaning Angel, cleaning Pope Park, serving at the Lutz Children's Museum, Humane Society at the Hartford Public Library, and more!!

Saturday April 24th

3:00-5:00 p.m. CLOSING CEREMONY at the Boys and Girls Club Asylum Hill

To find out how you can organize Global Youth Service Day in Greater Hartford, contact:

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