LEARN

• Raise awareness about childhood cancer by holding an educational talk with a healthcare professional at your club or district meeting.
• Collaborate with a local childhood cancer hospital staff to learn about the needs of their patients and families. Brainstorm ways your club can address key challenges and gaps.

PROJECT IDEAS
CHILDHOOD CANCER

ACT // BEGINNER

• Identify nearby childhood cancer centers and provide craft materials, puzzles and games to children receiving therapy or treatment.
• Prepare healthy meals for families with children undergoing treatment.
• Post monthly articles about childhood cancer on your club or district website and social media accounts.
• Provide cancer support related books and magazines to your local school or library.
• Write cards full of well-wishes and share them with a local cancer center.
• Give gift cards to identified families in need or a nearby childhood cancer center. Cards could cover expenses like gasoline, parking, food, etc.
• Make or buy new hats, caps, head scarves and blankets to donate to childhood cancer centers.

ACT // INTERMEDIATE

• Help coordinate travel arrangements to and from treatments for a family of a child with cancer.
• Provide tutoring services to children with cancer, as well as their siblings.
• Sponsor a child to attend a childhood cancer camp or activity.
• Through photography, document a family’s journey for them as their child undergoes treatment.
• Raise awareness for childhood cancer through radio public service announcements, social media campaigns or a public screening of a film about childhood cancer.
• Provide children’s entertainment at a local hospital or treatment center for children with cancer.
• Organize a weekend retreat for families with children in remission.

ACT // ADVANCED

• Form a support group for those affected by childhood cancer, such as patients, caregivers and survivors.
• Organize a childhood cancer camp.
• Develop a healthy meal program to ensure that children with cancer are well nourished during treatment and while in remission.
• Familiarize yourself with the bone marrow transplant registry. If one is not established in your country, determine what would be needed to create one.
• Provide funding support for essential medicines and supportive services. Crucial medical needs could include chemotherapy supplies, nutritional supplements, medical equipment, essential staff, etc.
• Learn more about temporary housing options for families whose children are patients of cancer treatment centers. Volunteer at established housing facilities or develop a new one.