# I Give to My COMMUNITY

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SET THEME:

### I Am a Responsible Community Member

#### Build Social and Emotional Intelligence

To help children think about ways they can give to their community:

- Encourage them to understand and recognize other's needs.
- Help them understand why it is important to help others.
- Remind them that giving to their community is a great way to show empathy.

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### How to Read This Book with Children

- 1 Read aloud the title. Discuss what it means to be part of a community.
  - Read aloud the book with children.
- 3 Talk about activities children can do to help people in their community.
- 4 Ask children to describe how they might feel after helping others in their community.
- 5 After reading, use the Real-World Wrap-Up prompts to discuss the photograph.
- 6 Guide children to connect the story to their own experiences helping people.



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It's fun to be part of a community. Sometimes community members need our help!



### And we can help them in many ways.



Weather can sometimes be a problem. Strong storms can happen anywhere and at any time.





People in the community might need help after a storm. We bring them food and supplies.



We deliver water to those who need it. It feels so good to help!



## You can help your community.



Schools can help in many ways. After storms or during the holidays, schools collect canned goods, toys, and other helpful things to give to the community.



At school, we're collecting art supplies to donate, or give, to a local elementary school. The school flooded and they need paper, markers, glue, scissors, and paint.



We're painting pictures. We'll glue our pictures onto the donation boxes.

I hope the students like them. It's great to help other people!



Our community center needs new books.



We're having a bake sale to raise money. We'll use the money to buy more books.



I'm going to help mom bake.



We're going to make her famous chocolate chip cookies. Yum!



Uh-oh, a winter storm is coming. The animals in our community need our support, too.



I donate extra blankets, towels, and pillows to the animal shelter so that the animals are comfortable and warm.



I have a lot of toys. I don't play with all of them.

This year for my birthday, I'm going to donate them to the community.



### What a great idea!



There are many different ways to give to our community. But whatever we choose to do . . .







# We feel great giving to others.



### Real-World Wrap-Up

### My Thoughts: What are they doing? How can you tell?



My Feelings: How do you feel when you help your community?



There are many ways to help in your community. You can donate school supplies, clothes, or toys. After a storm, you can

help deliver water and warm meals. You can even donate blankets to animal shelters!



Social and emotional intelligence comprises the abilities and character traits that enable people to work with others, learn effectively, and play important roles in their families and communities.

### I Am a Responsible Community Member

This set focuses on decision-making skills, such as helping one's community and family, thinking critically, and identifying solutions to social problems.







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