

Knowing the Impact and Evaluation



These activities will allow members to:

- Measure their impact by hearing from the organization they helped.
- Practice communicating and listening to each other.
- Reflect on the service project process.
- Collaborate as a team.

Materials needed:

- One worksheet per member (print it at buildersclub.org/IDEA)
- One blank sheet of paper per member
- Pens or pencils

How to lead the activity:

1. With the help of your advisors, ask someone from the organization helped by your club's service project to speak at the next club meeting—or to write some thoughts and notes for club officers to share with members. Ask that the talk or report includes:
 - a. The results of the project
 - b. Who the project helped
 - c. How many people the project helped
 - d. Examples of the project's impact
2. At the club meeting, give every member an Evaluation worksheet and a blank piece of paper for notes.
3. If the organization's representative is attending, introduce him or her—and encourage members to ask questions and take notes. If nobody can attend, a club officer should share the report from the organization.
4. After the talk or report, ask members to form groups of four.
5. Ask each group to complete the Evaluation worksheet. For the first circle, group members should discuss what the club did well while planning and executing the service project. In the second circle, write what could be done differently for the next service project. Where the circles overlap, write how members can work together better next time.
6. When everyone is finished, ask for volunteers to stand up and share their answers. Thank each member who shares with the club.
7. Tell members to save their Evaluation worksheets. They will use them at the next club meeting to create a presentation about the service project.

Evaluation

Now that the service project is complete, discuss everything that went well and what areas could be improved for the next time.

