

April is Youth Service Month (YSM)!
April 24-26, 2026 is Global Youth Service Day (GYSD)!

YSM/GYSD, organized by Youth Service America (YSA), is the largest (in 100+ countries) and longest-running event of its kind! **PTA Council’s Service-Learning Partners (SLP) Working Group** is pleased to announce the following events planned for April 18-25, 2026:

- **two community partner projects**
- **ten “in-house”/school-based student-led service-learning projects**

COMMUNITY PARTNER PROJECTS

***Celebrate Earth Week and YSM/GYSD at a District Clean-up Near You!
 Earn Service-Learning Hours (for Middle and High School Students*)!***

☆**District 6: Councilman Mike Ertel's "2026 Annual Towson Clean-up"**
April 18, 9a-11a ~ Loch Raven Rec Center, 1801 Glen Keith Blvd., Parkville 21234

☆**District 4: Councilman Julian Jones’ NW Regional Park Community Clean-up**
April 25, 9a-12p ~ Northwest Regional Park, 4515 Deer Park Rd., Owings Mills 21117

*These two events have been approved by BCPS Service-Learning. They are open to all, but only middle and high school students can earn service-learning hours. For details on how to pre-register for service-learning hours, email partnerships@bcptacouncil.org.

“IN-HOUSE”/SCHOOL-BASED SERVICE-LEARNING PROJECTS

Cockeysville Middle PTSA ~ 4/20-24: Kindness Rising Canned Food Drive (Pasta, Soup, Tuna)
Deer Park Elementary PTA ~ 4/13-24: Casey Cares (New) Pajama Drive
Deer Park Middle Magnet Kids4Kids Ambassadors ~ 4/20-24: Kindness Rising Canned Food Drive
Franklin Middle PTSA and FMS Ambassadors ~ 4/20-24: Kindness Rising Canned Food Drive
Hereford Middle PTSA ~ 4/22: HMS Bay Savers Club & Educators Rising Club & NexTrex Recycling Challenge Dedication Ceremony and Clean-up
Overlea High PTSA ~ 4/23: Youth Engagement Day
Southwest Academy PTSA ~ 4/22: PTA Art with Heart
Sudbrook Middle Magnet PTSA ~ 4/25: Northwest Regional Park Community Clean-up
Towson High PTSA ~ 4/21-23: Law & Public Policy Students/Youth Voters Registration and Kindness Rising Canned Food Drive
Woodlawn High PTSA ~ 4/25: GYSD Community Clean-up and Feeder-Pattern Service Project