***Ideas for Community Service Projects***

**FERST READERS** - **ferstreaders.org**    AND      (local Partnership website)  [www.mountainlibrary.com/event/ferst-readers-storytime/](http://www.mountainlibrary.com/event/ferst-readers-storytime/) Ferst Readers partners with Towns County Public Library and Mountain Regional Library (Blairsville) Ferst Readers’ mission is to create better learners, brighter futures, and stronger communities by giving every child under five access to quality books in their homes. Ferst Reader representatives to Towns and Union Counties will model early literacy tools and strategies during storytime and register children to receive free books every month from Ferst Readers.

MaryAnn (Jan22)

**Isaiah 117 House - isaiah117house.com**

<https://www.facebook.com/isaiah117houseunioncoga/?ref=py_c>

provides physical and emotional support in a safe and loving home for children awaiting foster care placement.

Linda Beaver

**Meals on Wheels**

The Senior Center serves ages 60+ in Union County with hot meals, transportation to and from the center as well as drug store and grocery shopping. We have exercise programs, quilting, crafts, games and other activities. Our Meals on Wheels program provides home delivered meals to qualified seniors, a hot meal is served at the center Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. Volunteers needed.

Claudia (Jan22)

**Project Chimp - projectchimps.org**

Project Chimps is the newest chimpanzee sanctuary in the United States and was founded to provide lifelong exemplary care to 200 former research chimpanzees at its sanctuary on 230+ acres of forested land in the Blue Ridge Mountains of north Georgia. Today, Project Chimps is home to 81 chimpanzees and we are working to move over 110 more to permanent sanctuary. The sanctuary is occasionally open to the public for [special events](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fprojectchimps.org%2Fevents%2F&data=04%7C01%7C%7C12ea60a6bb014bcf739208d9d52d4b0f%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637775212784293518%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=bPF1WxWI2lo%2FFHV1X5azFt7Hizs5kVlmVhe488spMPE%3D&reserved=0) and [group tours](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fprojectchimps.org%2Fevents%2Fgroup-tours%2F&data=04%7C01%7C%7C12ea60a6bb014bcf739208d9d52d4b0f%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637775212784449764%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=YKRQljt6FweLURXSXLnFJH7jMrDDwGNZdF0nMfSHI4k%3D&reserved=0).

**Safe Animal Pet -**[**safepetproject.org**](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fsafepetproject.org%2F&data=04%7C01%7C%7C12ea60a6bb014bcf739208d9d52d4b0f%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637775212784449764%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=KIVnCrQfe0thPZNq%2FB7MuAPHksNV24oOAxxcSSdk3Bo%3D&reserved=0)

“The mission of SAFE PET PROJECT is to build a more humane community for domesticated animals by providing services to keep them safe and healthy.  Our Purpose: From dogs to donkeys, from cats to cows, the Safe Pet Project was created to promote health, safety and security for all domesticated animals

**The Still Place** - www.thestillplace.org

OUR MISSION is to provide rest, renewal, and recreation to families experiencing serious, ​life-altering illness of a child by incorporating nature, art, spirituality, and Southern Appalachian experiences to enhance resiliency, empowerment, ​self-determination, and hope.

**Tapestri:** [*https://tapestri.org/*](https://tapestri.org/)

We enable opportunities for immigrant & refugee survivors of violence through education, community organizing, direct services, & advocacy to help them reclaim ownership over their lives!

**Whiskers Project -**[**whiskersproject.org**](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.whiskersproject.org%2F&data=04%7C01%7C%7C12ea60a6bb014bcf739208d9d52d4b0f%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637775212784449764%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=EN%2F4LExDd5icvv9cBV5vNC%2F9dT1qNaC3EB90ZLczAII%3D&reserved=0)

The Whiskers Project is a non-profit 501(c)3 Trap Neuter Return organization that spays and neuters stray and feral cats in north Georgia. We primarily serve cat colonies and when we come across adoptable kittens or cats, we remove them from the colony to seek a loving indoor home. We are part of Feral Friends Network with Alley Cat Allies. We are always looking for farms, barns and stables to relocate serilized cats that need barn homes. Pls contact us if you can provide location assistance or fostering of domesticated felines.

**The Tom White Music Grant -** In loving memory of Tom (dear friend, musician and Gail's soul mate),  monies are available for music - related need(s) in our communities.  We discussed local school students who can't afford instruments as possibility.

***"Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God."* Matthew 5-8**