

AMERICANS IN ACTION



The Game Of Doing Good

(NAPSA)—Maybe it is better to give than receive, but many believe it is the combination of both that has the power to change the world. That's the idea of giving back by paying a good deed forward—and watching that kindness spread on and on.

For example, if you help three people and the next day they each help three more, and the day after that those nine people help another three, and each day afterward everyone in turn helps three more people, your single act of kindness may have touched more than 4 million people in just two weeks.

The idea of creating this seemingly endless trail of giving and receiving—of doing something good and passing it on—was the inspiration behind the Giving Game. The game is provided by The LEAGUE, a national youth service organization, and focuses on multiplying acts of kindness throughout communities. Here's how it works:

- First, visit the game's Web site at www.GivingGame.org and order a batch of cards.

- Next, perform a kind act for someone else. It is easy, and can be almost anything. Simply help a friend complete a task, say something nice and unexpected, run an errand for a friend, buy a cup of coffee for a stranger, or pay the toll for the next person in line.

- Along with your good deed, leave behind a game card—a calling card that inspires people to do something nice for someone else. Each card has a unique ID number



A national youth service organization wants people to pass on acts of kindness.

and contains instructions for playing the game and passing it on.

- Finally, log on to the game's Web site to register and track your cards, record your acts of kindness and read stories of how the kind acts you helped put in motion are bettering the community and the world.

Anyone can play. For more information and step-by-step instructions for getting started, visit www.GivingGame.org.

Created by a consortium of business, education, government, media, and nonprofit leaders and youth, The LEAGUE empowers students to “get in the game” of making a positive difference in their community and world. Joining is simple. To find out more, visit the Web site www.TheLEAGUE.org.