

ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

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A Proud Legacy – A Shining Future

Summer has just started, and your members have probably already stocked up on supplies. But, those hot sunny days extend well into fall, and the importance of sun protection does not go away.

Day care centers and nursery schools need supplies to protect their children when sending them outside to play, and by the end of summer, supplies may be low. So, suggest to your members that when they are replenishing sunscreen for themselves, they purchase a container of children's sunscreen to donate. You might as a club identify a local center, check whether they will accept supplies and if there is a preference for lotion, cream, etc. Adding a child's hat or visor may be welcome too.

And, while you are doing this, how about adding a smile to the children's faces with a replacement outdoor toy, something for the sandbox, a pail and shovel or a soft ball, things that might have been lost or broken with daily use at a busy school or day care center.

If you want to do even more, ask the center if they accept cash donations to purchase cool treats for a hot day. That might bring smiles to the staff as well as the children.

Encouraging your members to protect children on those summer and fall sunny days is a good reminder for them to protect themselves too – winners all around!