## 25 Ways Your Program Can Improve Community Health

The list below was created based on the work of the 2015-2016 Community Health volunteer group of the Student Academy of AAPA. The work began with Resolution 2015-12 which was passed in the Assembly of Representatives in May 2015. Both a community health survey and discussion board were created in order to examine what type of community/outreach events PA students participate in and what community health problems are addressed. Information was collected from November 2015 through March 2016. For more information, please e-mail <u>students@aapa.org</u> or reach out to your Student Academy Regional Director.

- 1. WORK AT A FREE CLINIC
- 2. REACH OUT TO A RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE
- 3. VOLUNTEER AT A MEDICAL CENTER
- 4. Help at a homeless shelter
- 5. VOLUNTEER AT A CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
- 6. ORGANIZE A BLOOD DRIVE
- 7. REACH OUT TO A SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY
- 8. RAISE MONEY FOR A LOCAL HEALTH ASSISTANCE FUND
- 9. GIVE TO A FOOD BANK
- 10. BUILD FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
- 11. ORGANIZE A LOCAL RUN/WALK
- 12. Speak at a high school
- 13. CREATE RESOURCES FOR MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

- 14. RUN A HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE
- 15. Get involved with a local church
- 16. CREATE A BONE MARROW REGISTRY
- 17. OFFER A COMMUNITY HEALTH SCREENING
- 18. VOLUNTEER WITH A DISEASE AWARENESS PROGRAM
- **19.** CREATE A BACKPACK PROGRAM TO FIGHT CHILDHOOD HUNGER
- 20. BUILD AN URBAN GARDEN
- 21. ORGANIZE A COMMUNITY CLEAN UP
- 22. BUILD A LOCAL PARK
- 23. Help at an afterschool program
- 24. VOLUNTEER WITH A SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAM
- 25. Work with a local farmer's market

