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Community Driver	Current	Provide rides (either with community van or your vehicle) for seniors and disabled adults to their doctor appts. Reimbursed for milage if using personal vehicle. Training provided if using community van. Day time only and can sign up for rides based on your schedule.	South County	1-4 hrs per ride	Year round	SCCS		Syd
Meals on Wheels	New	Still learning about this program, but sounds like a lot of flexibility on commitment BUT daytime only.	South County	Ongoing	Year round			Melissa, Essy, Josie, Syd, Maureen
Scrap Recycling Program	Current	Collect scrap metal and deliver to recycling companies in Kzoo. David Aubry coordinates this program and has open trailer, some use of several trucks. This is a critiac fundrasing project for Rotary. Current Rotary members involved are all over 70. Could schedule some pick-ups in the evening and/or weekends. Also, could use some help disassembling air conditioners and possibly other items prior to taking to recycling center.	Kalamazoo and St Joseph Counties	Ongoing	Year round	Rotary Vicksburg		Jes
Sock-a-thon	Current	Aim Higher, a sutudent leadership program at Vix HS runs this project, but they would ilke help from adults.	Vicksburg	Unknown	Unknown	Aim Higher		Jes, Kimm, Josie
Harvest Fest	Current	Will have a family friendly activity for the event. Need volunteers to help run the activity.	Vicksburg	One day	Last Sun of Sept	Vicksburg Historical Society		Jes, Kimm, Suzie, Cindy,
Burg Days	Current	Support Vicksburg Arts with arts activity.	Vicksburg	One evening	Weds in Summer	Village of Vicksburg	Vicksburg Arts	Cindy, Jes
Hist Village Clean Up	Current	Usually on a Saturday. Clean up leaves, fallen tree limbs, cut back plants	Vicksburg	One morning	Fall	Vicksburg Historical Society	Aim Higher, Lions	Mike G, Jes, Melissa, Essy, Suzie, Cindy
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Change for Alzheimers Research (CART)	New	Fundraiser for cutting edge research for Alzheimers Disease. This would be a purposeful fundraising effort. OR we can just pass the blue bucket during meetings to collect change.	South County	TBD	TBD	?	Rotary International	Melissa
Adopt-a-Highway	Current	Clean up truck rest area on Northbound US-131 between Shaver and Centre. Work is completed on a Saturday morning and takes about 2 hrs.	Schoolcraft		Spring, Summer,	Rotary Vicksburg		Jes, Syd
Safe-at-Home	Current	Most of this project revolves around installing grab bars or building wheelchair ramps.	South County	Varies	Varies	SCCS		Mike G
Red Kettle Campaign	Current	Ring the bell at the Red Kettle.	Family Fair	2 hrs	December	Salvation Army		Melissa, Syd
Ice Burg Fest	Current	Last year was first year for this event. We stamped passports for people who participated in soup & grilled cheese tasting. Assume it will be similar program in 2024.	Vicksburg	2 hr blocks, one day	February	Vicksburg Chamber		Cindy, Suzie, Essy, Melissa, Lynne
Tournament of Writers	Current	Read and score entries in fiction, nonfiction or poetry in 4 age divisions. (Can specify preferences.) Submissions are 2,500 words or less.	South County	2 weeks	Feb-Mar	Vicksburg Arts		Kimm, Jes
Historical Docents	New	Participate in Historic Village opening day, Harvest Fest and other high traffic events as available. Leah Richard will train you on area that you will serve in.	Vicks Hist Village	2-6 hrs	Varies	Vicksburg Historical Society		Suzie, Lynne, Cindy
Tire Recycle Program	Current		South County	4 hrs	July	Schoolcraft Twp		Mike G, Jes, Melissa, Essy, Suzie, Cindy
Spelling Bee	Current	Community building activity. Adult Spelling Bee done at Vickers.	Vicksburg	2 hrs	June, July, Aug	Rotary Vicksburg		Melissa, Jes, Lynne

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100k Trees	New	Program to plant 100,000 native trees over the next 3 years in and around the Vicksburg area. Many strategies for completing this project. This program has been successfully implemented in many communities in CA and beyond. The intent is carbon capture. Microforests and involvement of the schools are key for success.	South County +	2-3 years	TBD	TBD	TBD	Cindy, Suzie, Melissa, Jes, Mike G, Syd
Strive	Current	Mentorship program at Vix HS for Seniors needing extra support to graduate. Meet monthly 7:30 am with students at high school.	Vicksburg	5 mos	Oct - May	Rotary Vicksburg	Vicksburg High School	Syd, Kimm,
Rotary Trailer Upgrade	New	Upgrade existing single axle trailer to take to construction sites and add branding to the exterior of trailer.	South County	2 weeks	Fall (one time only)	Rotary Vicksburg, Impact Vicksburg	SCCS (Brian Penny)	Mike G, Syd
Wednesday Winners	Current	Twice a month on Wednesdays. Adults with cognitive & physical disabilities are gathered for about 2 hrs. Need help with lunch and facilitating activities such as bingo or craft activity.	United Methodist Church	Ongoing	Twice a month Wednesdays at lunch time	SCCS		
SMART Addiction Prevention	Current	Multi-disciplinary program that includes school education, medicine & drug disposal, awareness, recovery and treatment. Lots of freebies to offer communities to help reverse the OPIOID crisis.	South Kalamazoo County	?	TBD	TBD	TBD	
Latrines for Kenya Schools	New	Joint project with Kenya Rotary Club, possibly other clubs in the area? If not latrines, what else are they in need of?	Kenya	TBD	TBD	IMPACT	Rotary Kenya	Jes, Melissa, Essy,

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Farm to Fork Event	New	A fundraising event for the Vicksburg Farmers Market. Two periods need to be covered. During the event we will need about 6 members to help take drink tickets, pick up dishes and cups and provide any other support needed. After the event, we will need 4 people to help with clean up. Tickets are \$55 for this event, but we will get in for free as volunteers! Location is Pavillion and date is August 19 from 6-9 pm.	Vicksburg	One time	Aug 19, 2023	Vicksburg Farmers Mkt		Lynne, Kimm
Movies in the Park	New	Vicksburg Village puts on a movie near the pavilion. We will be having a pre-movie hands-on activity for kids.	Vicksburg	One time	Fri, August 18	Village of Vicksburg		
Spelling Bee	Current	Adult spelling bee just for fun, to share the Rotary name and circulate a collection box for CART (Coins for Alzheimer Research Trust). Need 2 people to help register participants, verify accuracy, keep score and hand out prizes.	Vicksburg - on the deck of Vickers	Might be last time this year (did it twice before)	Wed Sep 13 from 7 to 8:30 pm	Deborah Harsha		
Alzheimers Walk	Current	We could sign up as individuals, as a club team or we could sign up to volunteer as a club.	Bronson Park	Morning	Sat Oct 21.	Alzheimers Assn - Click for more info		Mike G, Jes,
NEW SINCE LAST MEETING								
Respite for Caregivers	New	Suggested by Kimm & Maureen. This program is being developed now by Maureen with input from around the community	South Kalamazoo County	TBD	TBD	TBD	SCCS, Vicksburg Home Care, Agency on Aging	Kimm, Maureen, Syd
GHI Holiday party	Current	Kimm suggestion. Will get details on how we can help.	Vicksburg	Hours	December?	GHI		Kimm, Syd
Old Car Fest	Current	Kimm & Cindy both suggested. Rotarian Skip Knowles is the organizer for this event. We can get more info from him on what they need help with.	Vicksburg	8-3 pm	June	Skip Knowles (Rotarian)		Kimm, Cindy

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Generous Hands	?	Essy & Mellissa suggestion. Can you give more info?	South Kalamazoo County	?		GHI		Essy, Mellissa
Backpack Bonanza	Current	Jes suggested this one and we did it with 2 IMPACT and 1 Rotarian! Help kids select backpack and fill with supplies	South Kalamazoo County	about 4 hrs	August	GHI		Jes
Camp Char Le Maude	Current	Suggestion from Suzie. Camp is on Barton Lake. Suzie can you get more info?	Barton Lake only?	?	?	Friends of Vicksburg?		Suzie
Senior Help	?	Cindy Phillips suggestion. Can you explain further?	?	?	?	?		Cindy
Outdoor Education Center (OEC)	?	Suggestion from Suzie. We may see the coordinator in charge of this property join IMPACT. She will be able to define what is needed.	Vicksburg (OEC)	?	?	Vicksburg Community Schools		Suzie