



Our problem solvers learn how to think, not what to think, and gain lifelong skills

# Service learning projects build student agency to create lasting change

Our Community Projects program goes well beyond a typical service project to equip students with lifelong skills as they turn interests into action and lasting impact.



### **How Community Projects works**



### Grades 4-12

Students may work on projects in teams of any size or on an individual basis through schools, clubs, or independently. Our competitions include three divisions: junior (4-6), middle (7-9), and senior (10-12).



#### Student-led and developed projects

Students use our problem-solving process when developing their project proposal. They then focus on implementing their action plan while documenting their progress in a project report and supporting materials like a portfolio and video.



#### **Competition season**

Problem solvers may take a few months or as much as a year or longer to develop and implement their project. At the affiliate finals, students present their projects for a chance to attend our annual International Conference in June.



SEASON AT A GLANCE

Southern Hemisphere affiliates start their competition season in early 2025.

# Examples of past projects

Students choose the project themselves. The most successful ideas gain community support and inspire students to make real change.





Visit our Resources Library to see a list of past project topics and examples of student work.

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