VA 30 Days of Kindness Calendar

This October, VIA invites you to celebrate the character strength of kindness each day. Research shows exercising kindness can boost happiness, make you more likable to others and help reduce anxiety and depression. Use this daily calendar to activate the powerful strength of kindness within you!

Ø	Text 5 people and tell them why you are grateful for them.	Complete a chore that your partner usually does.	Reach out to a co-worker and offer assistance on a project.	Declutter your home and donate items to a local charity.	Share uplifting content on your social media to brighten others' feeds.	Spend 30 minutes doing something you love.
	Check in with a co- worker and ask how they are doing.	Offer to help a neighbor with a task or errand.	Cook a special meal or treat for a loved one and enjoy it together.	Spend time in nature and pick up liter in the area.	Call a friend you haven't talked to in a while and check-in.	Practice active listening when speaking with friends or family.
Ø	Spot the character strengths you see someone using.	Forgive someone for a past wrongdoing and let go of lingering resentment.	Volunteer your time to a cause you care about.	Dedicate quality time to your family, playing games or eating dinner together.	Support a local business by making a purchase and leaving a positive review.	Text a friend a happy memory you shared together.
Ø	Send a favorite recipe to a friend.	Praise a coworker for something they did really well.	Next time you have great service, leave a generous tip.	Practice patience with everyone you encounter today.	Deliver a home cooked meal to a busy friend.	Take the neighbors dog for a walk.
	Give a sincere compliment to someone you interact with today.	Send a hand-written letter to a friend or family member.	Perform a random act of kindness for a stranger, like holding the door or buying their coffee.	Express gratitude to a coworker for their hard work.	Focus your personal meditation on positive self-talk and self-compassion.	Reflect on your month of kindness, plan how you'll continue to spread kindness.

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