

A Little Imagination

Organization Info:

Name of Organization: A Little Imagination

Website: www.alittleimagination.org

Address: 2420 Trailblazer Way, Castle Rock, CO 80109

Mission Statement: A Little Imagination exists to empower kids to pursue and act on creative ideas that make a difference in the lives of people in need, and provide a platform so those ideas can be shared, supported, and realized.

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Please check the most appropriate issue dealt with by your organization:

Children Elderly Hunger/Homelessness Disaster Relief Animal Welfare
 Health/Wellness Environment Human Rights Families Soldiers/Supporting Troops

About Your Issue Area:

What is the deeper issue behind your organization?

At A Little Imagination, we think that KIDS have the answers to bring real change to our world. So our goal is to do everything we can to help kids of all ages dream big, come up with ideas that make a difference in the lives of people in need, and then share those ideas with people who can help. It only takes a little imagination to change the world!

What programs or services does your organization offer?

Our main tool is our website, www.alittleimagination.org, which allows kids to share any idea they have to help people in need, talk about who they are and what they're trying to do, and ask other people to support them, either by giving money or volunteering to help out. Many time, kids have great ideas, but they don't have a way to tell other people about them!

Do you have an interesting story about your organization or clients to share with the students?

Our very first project (that we're working on right now) is helping a group of elementary school students from Castle Rock, Colorado who are raising money to build a playroom for orphans in Thailand. Led by Ellie, a 7 year old in second grade, the kids are going to Thailand this summer to build the playroom, help at the orphanage, and teach English to Thai students.

How Can Students Help?

How can students help through specific, tangible cash grants? (ex: \$25 feeds 1 dog for 1 month; or specific items/supplies that will benefit your programs)

The biggest need for the Thailand Playroom project is money to buy really cool stuff for the playroom. We want it to be amazing, so we'll be buying things like: boxes of crayons and pens (\$5), art supplies (\$50), a dollhouse (\$100), dolls and stuffed animals (\$10 each), dress up clothes (\$50), wood to build a stage (\$75), a tire swing (\$50), books (\$50), educational toys (\$100), and desks and chairs (\$40 each)...plus paint and other supplies to decorate with.

How can students help through group service projects? (What is useful to your organization and educational to students?)

For the kids' Thailand project, we would LOVE other kids to help with some of our upcoming fundraising projects, like our silent auction on March 22nd, as well as future projects that others kids share on the A Little Imagination website.

Do you provide individual volunteer opportunities for youth? (If so, what ages, and what types of volunteer opportunities do you provide?)

As the number of projects on our website grows, there will be endless volunteer opportunities in all kinds of different areas. With our Thailand project, we would love to have people help us by volunteering at fundraisers, organizing items for the playroom, and helping us get the word out in the community.

Are there opportunities for students to be recognized by your organization? (A Mention in Newsletter, Site Visit of Facility, Celebration and Mingling with Clients, etc.)

Absolutely! We would be happy to recognize students on our website (with a photo of the students and a link to their school), send out an email to our entire list of supporters, and give them a special invitation to any A Little Imagination events.