



GOOD CITIZEN CHALLENGE

2022 SCORECARD

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Complete the Challenge by **September 5, 2022** for a chance to win a **new globe**, a **\$100 gift card** to Phoenix Books and a **trip for two to Washington, D.C. from Milne Travel!** All who finish the Challenge will be invited to a **VIP reception at the Vermont State House** this fall.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete a horizontal, vertical or diagonal row of five activities (descriptions on reverse).

Mark each completed box and **snap a photo of each activity** to show evidence of your work.

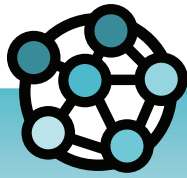
Upload a photo of your completed scorecard, and evidence of your work, at goodcitizenvt.com.

No purchase necessary. **Participants must be 18 or under to be eligible for prizes.** Each completed scorecard counts as one entry in the prize drawing. Participants can enter multiple scorecards, but activities must be repeated for each one.



HISTORY

- ★ **Free Museum Visit (center square):** Go to the Vermont History Museum. Good Citizen Challenge participants and their families get in free! The exhibit about globe maker James Wilson opens on July 3.
- 1. **Connect to History:** Pick one of these Vermonters from history and learn about their life at goodcitizenvt.com. Then complete an activity related to or inspired by them or their accomplishments: visiting the town where they lived, for example, or writing a poem or creating artwork.
 - James Wilson
 - Daisy Turner
 - Abby Hemenway
 - Stephen Bates
 - Wilson "Snowflake" Bentley
- 2. **Make a Map:** Draw or design a map of a place you know well.
- 3. **See the Spot:** Visit a state historical marker. Find a list at goodcitizenvt.com.
- 4. **What's in a Name?:** Pick a Vermont place name — a town, a road, a lake, a mountain — and find out where it comes from. Ask your librarian or local historical society for help.
- 5. **Remember This:** Public memorials commemorate people and events a community wants everyone to remember. Visit a memorial in a Vermont town and find out who it honors, and why.
- 6. **Future History:** Pick an object in your life that could be part of a future museum exhibit and write a label for it. Tell us what it's called, where it came from and how it's used.



COMMUNITY

- 7. **Respectfully Disagree:** Watch a short video about One Small Step, a public radio project that brings people who disagree with each other together for meaningful conversations. Practice talking with someone who disagrees with you about something — for example, a movie, a kind of food or a political issue. Listen to and share what you think without using sarcasm, name-calling, insults or eye-rolling. Tell us how it went.
- 8. **Connect to Neighbors:** Join your neighborhood Front Porch Forum and write a post about your experiences taking the Good Citizen Challenge. Under 14? Ask an adult to post for you.
- 9. **Act Locally:** Do something to help people in your community. For example: Make a cheerful sign, weed a public garden or help seniors learn to use digital devices.
- 10. **Think Globally:** Do something to learn about or help a community far away. For example: Watch a documentary, or attend a vigil, rally or event about a global issue such as war or climate change.
- 11. **Organize Support:** Use Front Porch Forum to organize a donation drive for a charity or shared resource such as a food shelf, library or homeless shelter.
- 12. **Clean Up:** Spend at least 15 minutes picking up litter in a public place.
- 13. **Appreciate Art:** Find and reflect on a mural or sculpture in a public place. Tell us how it makes you feel.
- 14. **Pitch In:** Help a friend or neighbor with yard work or chores.



GOVERNMENT

- 15. **Visit the Capitol:** Walk inside the Vermont State House to see the House and Senate chambers. If you can, take a free guided tour or self-guided audio tour.
- 16. **Library Loan:** Borrow something from your local library — a book, a garden tool, a park pass, a telescope, etc.
- 17. **Explain the Motto:** Vermont's state motto is "Freedom and Unity." What does that mean to you? Make a piece of art — a poem, drawing, song, etc. — to explain.
- 18. **Consider the Candidates:** Watch or listen to a debate featuring candidates running for office in the August 9 primary election or the November 8 general election.
- 19. **Deed Search:** Go to your city or town hall and find the deed for a property that's important to you.



MEDIA

- 20. **Listen Local:** Listen to a locally produced podcast from Vermont Public Radio. Choose one of these episodes of "Brave Little State": "How Is Climate Change Affecting Vermont Right Now?" (April 5, 2019) or "Brave Little State's 4th Annual Brief History of Vermont Road Names" (September 9, 2021). Younger participants can listen to one of these episodes of "But Why?: A Podcast for Curious Kids": "Why Can't Kids Vote?" (October 9, 2020) or "Why Is Russia Invading Ukraine?" (March 11, 2022).
- 21. **Watch the News:** Watch a local TV news broadcast or the latest episode of "Vermont This Week" on Vermont PBS, available to stream online at vermontpbs.org.
- 22. **Read a Newspaper:** Read a whole issue of your local community newspaper — find a list of Vermont papers at goodcitizenvt.com. Can't find your paper? Try the library.
- 23. **Write a Letter:** Write a letter to the editor of your local newspaper about something or someone in your community that you appreciate.
- 24. **Take Control:** Improve your attention and ability to focus by changing your relationship to your digital devices. Do at least one of the suggested activities on the Take Control checklist from the Center for Humane Technology. Find it at humanetech.com/take-control.

SHARE YOUR PROGRESS AND INSPIRE OTHERS!

- Upload high-quality photos of your work to goodcitizenvt.com. We'll publish the best entries in *Kids VT* and/or *Seven Days*.
- Write a letter to the editor about the Challenge to your local newspaper.
- Post about the Challenge on your neighborhood Front Porch Forum, or if you're under 14, ask an adult to post for you.



BONUS: Complete all activities in one category to be eligible for category prizes! More info online.



SEE INSTRUCTIONS AND SUBMIT YOUR ENTRIES AT:
GOODCITIZENVT.COM

Got questions? Contact us at goodcitizen@sevendaysvt.com or 802-865-1020, ext. 114.

Challenge Organizers

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