



## Young Social Innovators project

### Who is **Team Hope**?

TEAM HOPE is an Irish, Christian development aid charity, working with children, their families and communities across Africa and Eastern Europe.

[www.TeamHope.ie](http://www.TeamHope.ie)

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### What is the **Christmas Shoebox Appeal**?

The Christmas Shoebox Appeal sends shoebox gifts from Ireland to children in areas of poverty across Africa and Eastern Europe.

Christmas Shoeboxes help to bring joy to children and they also provide things that they need like copy book and pencils for school and warm clothes. When Team Hope's partners in each country deliver Christmas Shoeboxes they meet people living in poverty and are able to help them in other ways.

Read the stories at [www.TeamHope.ie](http://www.TeamHope.ie)

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### What is **Young Social Innovator**?

YSI is a youth-lead, team based, action focused program.

Split into a **Senior Program** and **Junior Program**, young people identify social issues of concern to them, explore them, and come up with relevant actions and responses.



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## Christmas Shoebox Appeal action project

1. Have your school send shoeboxes to as many children as possible
  - Contact us/visit [teamhope.ie](http://teamhope.ie) to order a leaflet for every student and some posters & resources
  - Ideas: Visit classes/organise an event/make a video to tell everyone  
Ask people to bring in shoeboxes made up  
Ask people to bring in one item each and make shoeboxes up in school together



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These are some ideas of things you might fill your  
Team Hope Christmas Shoebox with:

#### Write



Pens/Pencils  
Crayons  
Paper/Copy Books  
Colouring Books  
Markers  
Sharpeners & Erasers

#### Wash



Soap (wrapped)  
Hairbrush  
Comb  
Toothbrush  
Toothpaste  
Facecloth

#### Wear



Socks  
Underwear  
Flip Flops  
Hat  
Scarf  
Gloves

#### Wow



Cuddly toy  
Skipping rope/Yo-yo  
Doll  
Small Musical Instrument  
Photo of You/Your Family  
Sweets (in date to 06/21)  
Ball  
Stickers  
Toy Car

#### What not to include:

Liquids (shampoo, bubbles, drinks), chocolate, sharp objects, scary things war related, masks), breakables, medicines, large clothing items.

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2. Create teams. E.g. marketing, logistics, creative, etc. needed to make your project happen.
3. Research the issues around poverty in the countries that the Christmas Shoeboxes go to. (Poverty, Food insecurity, Lack of clean water, Climate change, Gender inequality...) This can be done as part of the **TY Transition Unit: Development Issues: Poverty.**
4. Join the YSI tour and Speak Out!
5. Celebrate during #YSIweek
6. Enter the all-Ireland YSI Awards

Contact us for support or information!

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