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## **Predominately “Me”? Become “We” with Timely Aid to the Community**

### *Help out, pick up, follow up, or clean up on Make a Difference Day*

TULSA, OK - October 27, 2018 - Today is “*Make a Difference Day*”, a day to celebrate neighbors helping neighbors. Today Oklahomans give back and pitch in to improve their communities.

*Make a Difference Day* began in 1992 (a leap year) when USA Weekend recommended that readers could use that extra day for good and donate to those in need.

Oklahoma lawyer and author, Jim Lloyd says, “We can all make a difference and do it in our own way.” He continues, “I did my service all at once when, at the request of my neighbor, I took on the criminal defense of a woman with no money, no friends, and who barely spoke English. I almost bankrupted myself, which is a lot more extreme than the norm.”

Lloyd looks back, “In past years, volunteer Oklahomans have completed projects at the Boys and Girls Club such as winterization, safety improvements, and smoke alarm installations. Other generous Oklahomans worked with their public library to create a “Little Free Library” for children who didn’t have access to books.”

Lloyd offers 11 ways you can observe *Make a Difference Day*.

- Pick up trash along a river, plant flowers at a local park, raise money for playground equipment.
- Bring toys to sick children in the hospital; donate school supplies or computers to your local school.
- Hold open a door for someone; make a new student feel welcome.
- Raise money for large-print or Braille books at your library.
- Collect blankets, food and toys for animal shelters; help clean the kennels.
- Volunteer to feed the hungry at a food kitchen or deliver food to a homebound person.
- Write letters to an older person in a nursing home or to military persons overseas.
- Rake leaves, wash windows, pick up groceries, or shovel snow for a single mom or elderly neighbor.
- Write a letter to your senator about an important issue important.
- Visit a teacher who helped you and let them know it made a difference in your life.
- Ask how you can help at church or raise funds for a non-profit organization.

“This year, *Make a Difference Day* is on October 27,” Lloyd says. “There is a lot of focus on ‘Me’ right now. But I foresee, that for me, I guarantee I’ll set free the mighty inner worker bee and actually gather friendlies to help turn ‘Me’ into ‘We’ for the community in need.”

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#### ABOUT LAWYER / AUTHOR JIM LLOYD

Jim Lloyd is the criminal defense lawyer in his nonfiction crime book “*Almost A Murder*”. During this epic legal battle, Mr. Lloyd was faced with overwhelming political and financial roadblocks as he defended a



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young woman with no money and who barely spoke English. The book is distributed through Ingram and is available online at Barnes & Noble, Google Books, and Amazon. If you'd like more information, please visit the website, <http://AlmostAMurder.com>, for more information.