

Next, **take a walk around your neighborhood to look for issues close to home.** You may notice something that's present, like litter, or something that is missing, like wheelchair accessibility or a safe place for kids to play. Are there people who are homeless or in need? List the issues you observe below.

See the bigger picture. Each day, the headlines shine a light on some of the world's most challenging issues: human rights, sustainability, natural disasters, poverty, access to education, food insecurity. It's through empathy and compassion—by putting ourselves in another's shoes—that we feel compelled to help. Have a discussion with your crew—you may find that your passions and interests lead you to look far beyond your local community. List the global causes that interest you below.

Step 2: Search out your strengths and talents

Every family has something special to share with the world – and there's a lot you can accomplish when you do it together. Take some time to think about the strengths your family has built together. Ask and answer these questions:

What are some challenges we've overcome as a family?

What did we do to overcome these challenges?

What did we learn from facing these challenges?
