



Goal 1 – No Poverty
 Nearly half of the world lives in poverty today, and so many people struggle for basic human needs like adequate food and clean water. Eliminating poverty is about giving all people everywhere an equal chance at living fulfilled lives.

Fact of the day
 More than 700 million people, or 10% of the world population, still live in extreme poverty and is struggling to fulfil the most basic needs like health, education, and access to water and sanitation.

Act now

Gather loose change from around the house to donate


1 hour 

Try to gather up any loose change around the house...with permission of course!

While checking down the back of the couch and under cushions, you might find anything else interesting as well!

Drop it all to a charity collection box when you get a chance. It's good to help any charity of course, but choose one which specifically helps in your area with people suffering the effects of poverty.

Choose a charity in your area make a poster to promote them


2 Hours 

Find out about a local charity that deals with homelessness or helps the less well-off with food and other services.

Draw up a poster to promote the charity. Be sure to put in the charity name, a picture of what they do, and a phone number or website where people can help that charity.

Put up the poster where people will see it, such as in a library or shop noticeboard. Also share it online and ask family members and friends to do the same.

Donate old clothes to charity

2 hours 

Go into your wardrobe, sort some clothes that you no longer use and prepare them to donate to charity. You might have grown out of clothes, or just don't like them anymore. Maybe you have too many teeshirts or shoes and don't get to wear them all.

While you are doing this you could think about where your clothes were made. Might the workers have been paid a fair wage? Are your clothes durable or poor quality and disposable?

As you prepare your items for donation, check out the donation guidelines set by the charity. For example, certain charitable organizations provide their own plastic bags for donated clothes.

Always clean all clothes prior to donation and drop them off when the shop is open.

What to do next

Once finished your own action, share it on social media (Instagram, Facebook, Twitter). Tag **@ScoutingIreland** and using the hashtags **#scoutsforsdgs #scoutsie #17days17sdgs**.

This will allow scouts not only from Ireland, but all over the world, to see your actions and use that as inspiration to go and make a positive impact in their communities!