Module 1: Activity Checklist

- Participate in the pre-course survey
- Read short description of organization characteristics
- Research organizations:

You are looking possibilities for organizations your course project will be based on. So, be sure to spend some time thinking and researching about organizations.

**Look for organizations that:**
- Are interesting to you,
- Are in your community,
- That you might know somebody who belongs to it, and that
- Help people, places or things.

**Organization Brainstorm Suggestions (key words are in blue):**
- Think about the local parades you’ve seen. What were the organizations represented in that parade?
- Organizations in your church
- Your own club – like Boy Scouts or Camp Fire USA
- An organization that one of your grandparents participates in
- A military organization like the American Legion
- Women’s Clubs
- Kiwanas
- Garden clubs

**How to Search the Internet for Information:**
1. Go to a web site designed for that purpose - a search engine - see list below.
   - Search engines you might want to try are:
     - Yahoo Kids, [http://kids.yahoo.com](http://kids.yahoo.com)
     - Ask for Kids, [www.askkids.com](http://www.askkids.com)
     - Cyber Sleuth, [www.cybersleuth-kids.com](http://www.cybersleuth-kids.com)
     - Kids Click, [www.kidsclick.org](http://www.kidsclick.org)
2. Find the search box - a blank box with a search button.
3. Type a word that describes your topic and click search.
4. Be as specific as you can to limit the matching sites.

**Suggested sites:**
- [Iowa Civic Organizations Directory](http://www.atlist.org/organizations/civic-social-association/iowa)

Submit three recommendations using the online Wufoo form at this web address: [http://annenegus.wufoo.com/forms/community-organizations-upload/](http://annenegus.wufoo.com/forms/community-organizations-upload/)

The instructor will review submissions and provide feedback to student. Once approved, Student will select one organization for their service project based on their interests and progress to Module 2: Preparation and Research