

## **This is a real story**

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This story is about a girl that made a difference in her community. Let's call her Rose. One summer day, her mother was going to work and did not want to stay home alone. So, her mom took her to work with her. One day turned into another day, and then another day until she was joining her mother every day. Her mom worked at a nursing home. Rose would play on her phone while her mom worked. When she would get tired of playing on her phone she walked around and started conversations with some of the older people. She asked them if they could have one thing in the world, what would it be? Most people would say a large amount of money like, five million dollars!! But instead they said things like their dog, their family, and ice cream. It was sad for Rose to hear stories of older people missing their animals and family members. (Honestly, it was sad for her to hear about them being deprived of ice cream, too.) For one man he sincerely missed his dog. They say a dog is a man's best friend and "they" are right. The old man was sad that he had to give his dog away because they didn't allow them there. Rose decided she would contact the new dog owner and see if he could bring the dog up to the nursing home for a visit. It felt good to do something nice for someone so then she brainstormed how else she could help those other people. Then she brought tubs of ice cream for the people to end the ice cream strike! What a joy. She also reached out to the family of one of the men at the home and asked them to come for a day visit. His family did not visit a lot and he was feeling sad and lonely. When his family came, a joy again. There was one last way Rose could help someone there. One of the people didn't have a lot of money. He wanted to buy his grandchildren some presents but he didn't have the money to spoil them like he wanted. The entire summer Rose had been saving all her allowance and decided to give it to the man.

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This is a story about a girl whose acts of kindness spread like butter on toast. Her good deeds were contagious and not like the flu. People joined in and helped all over!