Dip Your Toe In: Conversation Starters with Your Tweens and Teens

What are you good at that could make a difference? • Encourages teens to identify their strengths.

- Tip: Be specific. Affirm skills like creativity, growth mindset, leadership, or empathy along with other practical skills.

Which issues or causes fire you up the most and make you want to act? • Acknowledges your teen's specific passions.

- Tip: Share your own story of caring about a cause.

Who inspires you by the way they give back? • Names role models in your teen's own life.

- Tip: It's okay to name a celebrity here—if your child does, be curious about how they use their platform for good.

What do you already have—time, energy, knowledge, connections—that you could share? • Identifies the non-monetary assets and resources that your teen can access.

- Tip: Impact isn't about scale. It's about starting where you are, using what you have, and staying true to what you care about.

- How does using your gifts or serving make you feel?

 Celebrates growth and change and reinforces joy and reflection as part of the cycle of generosity and commitment.
 - Tip: Praise effort and reflection, not just results.