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# Fundraisers A to Z

Creative ideas for hosting third-party events to  
raise money for Children's Home Network.

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# Planning a Third-Party Fundraiser?

Looking for some creative ideas for your third-party fundraising event? Here are some fun options that are perfect for corporate groups, churches, schools, and volunteers!

## A

**Art Sales:** Have elementary, middle, and high school students produce art and sell it at a live show!

**Auctions:** You, or a team can host a silent or live auction! Work with an auctioneer who will donate his/her time and hold a live auction. Some ideas for auction themes would be collectibles, sports, and hobbies!

## B

**Bake Sale:** Host a bake sale at work or out in the community (ie: church, bank, library, etc).

**Birthday Party with a Purpose:** Instead of collecting gifts at your next birthday event, have everyone donate money towards Children's Home Network instead!

**Book Sales:** Reach out to your friends and family and have them donate their gently used books to you. Then, you can set up a table to sell your books and donate the proceeds!

**Breakfast With:** Put together a breakfast with Santa or the Easter Bunny at a local school or church. Work with a local restaurant to see about catering. Have someone in costume and sell tickets. Make sure to take lots of pictures!

**Brown Bag Lunch Day:** Everyone brings in their own lunch and donates the money they would have spent on lunch to Children's Home Network instead!



## C

**Car Wash:** Spring and Summer time make for great car washing time! Try saying "Donation Accepted" instead of charging a set price!

**Christmas Party:** Play carols, decorate and/or serve Christmas cookies, decorate a tree, have pictures with Santa, etc. You can charge an admission, or have everyone donate throughout the evening!

**Coin Drive:** This is great for parents of students! Set up a jar at the beginning of the school year in the lunchroom, or in each classroom, and have students put change in it throughout the year! You will be amazed how quickly it adds up!

**Concession Stand:** Set up a concession stand or booth at a community or sports event throughout the year!

**Cut-A-Thon:** Have a beauty salon or vocational school hold a cut-a-thon for you.

## D

**Decorating Service:** Do you have great decorating visions? If so, offer your services to the community during the holiday season! Then, donate any proceeds you make.

**Donut Days:** Great for students! Get donuts donated from a bakery every Friday and sell them at school!

## E

**E-Mail:** E-mail your friends and associates and ask them for donations! They can make a donation at [www.ChildrensHomeNetwork.org](http://www.ChildrensHomeNetwork.org).



## F

**Fashion Show:** Work with new or existing clothing stores to hold a fashion show! Charge an admission to the show and see if you can get a local business to donate food and refreshments for after the event!

**Fifty/Fifty Drawing:** Hold a 50/50 drawing at your work, church, etc once a month. This is a great quick and simple way to get donations!

## G

**Game Night:** Have a game-night with a purpose. Everyone comes to your house to play board games, charades, etc. Charge an "Entrance" fee.

**Golf Tournament:** Host a golf-tournament and charge a participation fee.

## H

**Haunted House:** Tap into your creative side and put together a haunted house! People can make a donation as they enter.

## I

**Ice Cream Social:** Plan an ice cream social at work or school and ask that all participants donate in order to attend! This is an easy and yummy idea!

## J

**Jewelry Sales:** Work with a wholesale company to sell jewelry they don't use anymore and sell it for a donation to Children's Home Network!

## L

**Lawn Service:** Mow a lawn for a donation to CHN!

## M

**Matching Gifts:** Ask your company to match what you raise!

**Money Jars:** Set up money jars or coin boxes at your place of work. This is great for banks, diners, hairdressers, and stores! Check back to empty jars frequently!

**Movie Night:** Host a movie night at your house and charge an "Admission Fee". Provide popcorn, candy, and refreshments to your friends!

## O

**Odd Jobs:** Ask your friends and neighbors if there are any odd jobs they have lingering on their to-do list and help lighten their load! Then you can donate any proceeds you make to Children's Home Network.

## P

**Payroll Deduction:** Employees can make their own contribution by having it deducted directly from their paycheck! A little a week goes a long way!

**Pie Sales:** Bake some delicious pies and sell them to your friends and neighbors for a donation with proceeds going to Children's Home Network!



## R

**Roll Those Pennies:** Do you have pennies lying around everywhere? Put them to good use by rolling them up and donating them to Children's Home Network. You could encourage all your friends to do the same-it adds up quick!

**Rummage Sale:** Yes, this is similar to a garage sale! These work great in the cooler months- you can even ask a local church or business to let you use some space to host it there!



## S

**Spaghetti Dinner:** Host a spaghetti dinner at a local business or community gathering center. You can charge an admission fee or collect donations?!

**Sports Tournament:** Teams organize bowling, hockey, basketball, baseball, etc tournaments and collect donations!

**Super Bowl Party:** Have a Super Bowl Party at your house and ask for donations when people arrive! The same can be done for other sports championship games!

## T

**Talent Show:** Host a talent show at a school or church and charge an admission fee!

**Tennis Tournament:** Host a tennis tournament, enlist tennis clubs, highschool and college teams to participate.

## V

**Vendors:** Solicit your company vendors and community members for cash donations or goods you can auction off!

## W

**Wishing Well:** Set up a wishing well at your local school, business, church, or store with a sign explaining that all proceeds go towards Children's Home Network and ending youth homelessness!

**Wrap Presents:** This is a great holiday time idea! During the busy holiday season you can set up a booth at a mall and wrap presents for a donation!

## X

**Xylophone Concert:** Hold a music concert or recital. Pass refreshments and ask for donations or sell tickets in advance!

## Y

**Yard Sale:** Just like the garage and rummage sale. Work individually or with a team!