



Quick and Easy Fundraising Ideas (Revision date 1-13-2013)

If you are a newly forming group, you are most likely looking for fundraising ideas with minimal out of pocket expense, and using minimal manpower. Even if your group is small, remember that every meeting and event provides an opportunity for people to sign petitions, collect voter registrations, distribute information, and get the message out. *Never let a gathering of people go to waste!*

- ***Pass the Hat or a Bright Red "Tea Pot":*** and collect cash donations from the group. This is an effective way to pay as you go for minimal expenses such as Pizza at a meeting, contribute to meet travel expenses for a guest speaker, etc. ***Always provide an opportunity for people to contribute to the cause.***
- ***"I Can":*** Hold a group aluminum can recycling drive to raise funds for a special project.
- ***Piggyback with Other Community Events:*** Have a booth, or share a booth at local festivals, farmer's markets, local fairs, etc. Distribute your group's information, etc.
- ***Join Your Local Chamber of Commerce:*** It's a good way to find local businesses who share your values and become active in community events.
- ***Yard Sale:*** Hold a group yard sale/flea market to raise funds. You may want to piggyback with other organizations, churches, etc.
- ***Host a Free Car Wash:*** Hold a free car wash to generate donations.
- ***Dollar Baked Goods and Snacks Table:*** Works well at meetings, fairs, etc with only a small table
- ***Distribute American Flags*** at parades and other events (for a small donation). Dress up in Uncle Sam, Betsy Ross or similar costumes and circulate in the crowd prior to a parade. Encourage Tea Party participation in the event.