



Fundraising Ideas from A to Z

A, B, C

- **Art Sales:** Showcase student art, or invite local artists to contribute pieces for an art show. Charge for admission, sell refreshments, and allow attendees to purchase art.
- **Auctions:** Put together a live or silent auctions at your school.
- **Bake Sale:** Have a bake sale at school and have parents or local businesses donate baked goods.
- **Babysit/Pet Sit:** Offer to watch your neighbors or family friend's children or pets; and then donate the money you make to the Providence House.
- **Book Sale:** Bring in old books to donate and sell at a school or library book sale.
- **Balloon Day:** Sell helium balloons with a message attached for \$2 each at school. Take orders in advance and then deliver the balloon messages to recipients.
- **Bowl-a-thon:** Host a bowl-a-thon and get pledges per pin that you knock down.
- **Bracelet Sale:** Students love to make "loom" bracelets! Have students make and donate bracelets and then sell them during lunch and recess.
- **Car Wash:** Hold a car wash and donate the money to Providence House.
- **Coin Drive:** Place containers in each department or classroom. Ask everyone to contribute spare change for a week or period of time. (Optional: Give the winning class / team a prize such as a pizza party or ice cream social)
- **Concession Stands:** Set up a concession stand or booth at a game or community event.
- **Cook Off:** Guests attending pay a set price which includes dinner and a school event (ex: basketball ticket for that night's game). Guests are served dinner, and receive ballots to rank their favorite cook off items. Announce the top 3 at half time of the game.
- **Cooking Class:** Ask a local chef or baker to come teach a cooking class and ask for donations.
- **Celebrate:** Turn your birthday or graduation celebration into a fundraiser. Ask guests to donate items on the Providence House wish list instead of bringing presents to your party.

D, E, F

- **Dress down day:** For donations, students (with uniforms) can dress down for the day. This can also work for a theme (such as pajama day).
- **Dog Wash:** Set up a dog wash in your front yard and have all the dogs in the neighborhood come over and get a bath. You can give the money you raise to the Providence House.
- **Flower sales:** Everyone enjoys getting flowers! Have classmates purchase carnations and send them to a special someone. You can donate all of your profits.

G, H, I

- **Game Night:** Host a game night at the school to play board game, charades etc. Charge an “entrance” fee and donate the money you raise to the Providence House.
- **Garage Sale:** Ask all of your friends and neighbors to participate by donating items for a garage sale. Make signs that advertise that all proceeds are going to support the Providence House.
- **Golf Tournament:** Put together a golf tournament for parents and teachers, and have the proceeds benefit Providence House.
- **How Many in the Jar?:** Load up a jar full of goodies and ask students to guess how many is in the jar. Ask for a donation to guess, and give the winner a small prize.
- **Haunted House:** This is the perfect fundraiser for Halloween! Organize a haunted house and charge admission. You could even sell treats to increase the amount of money you raise.
- **Ice Cream Socials:** Plan an ice cream social at school; and sell or ask for donations for ice cream, or charge per topping served.

J, K, L

- **Karaoke:** Students/guests pay \$2.00 per song or people can “donate” \$5 and pick someone in the audience to go up and sing (teachers, principal, peers, etc.).
- **“Loose Change Day”:** Have a “Loose Change Day” at school, and make a flyer encouraging students to bring in loose change to donate to Providence House. Ask your school’s math classes to get involved by counting, predicting, and rolling the change. This is a great way to involve the entire school.
- **Letter Writing:** Send letters or emails to your friends and family explaining why you’re fundraising for Providence House, and ask for a specific donation amount.

M, N, O, P

- **Mow-A-Lawn:** Check with neighbors and see if you can mow their lawn for a donation.
- **Movie Night:** Have a movie night at school. You can ask for donations and even sell popcorn and drinks to raise extra money for the Providence House.
- **Perform:** Host a concert or talent show at your school, and charge people to attend or ask people to donate items off the Providence House wish list.
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Hold a pancake breakfast at school and charge people to attend.
- **Pumpkin Decorating Contest:** Have each class decorate a pumpkin and then have a silent auction to raise money for the Providence House.

Q, R, S

- **Radio Station:** Call your favorite radio station and ask them to make an announcement on the air about your fundraiser (and/or donate as well). They may even want to interview you to know more about it.
- **Spaghetti Dinner:** Have teachers and parents cook and/or donate the food and have students take the tickets, wait on and clear tables.
- **Student/Faculty Basketball Game:** Set up a basketball game between students and faculty, and charge students admission to attend the game. Admission could also be items off of the Providence House wish list.

T, U, V

- **Turkey Drawing:** Get a grocery store to donate a certificate for a turkey or ham to be picked up just in time for the holidays. You could also ask them to donate a BBQ package for Labor Day or Memorial Day. Food is always a good item to raffle off!
- **Video Sale:** Hold a DVD sale at school and ask students to bring in videos they don't watch anymore.

W, X, Y, Z

- **Walk-A-Thon (or Jog-A-Thon):** Walk laps in the gymnasium or on the school track. Solicit pledges per lap walked, or donations based on a pre-set number of laps walked or ran.
- **Wrap Presents:** During holiday time (Christmas or Mother's Day) set up a booth at a local mall or busy department store. Have students donate wrapping paper, and ask shoppers for a donation for items wrapped. Be sure to advertise that all of the money donated will be given to the Providence House.
- **Yard Sales:** Host a yard sale, and get students, parents, and teachers to donate items.