FUNDRAISING AT HOME

Spring Cleaning
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Party on, Dude
Throw a basic party, but add an entry fee or silent auction. Wine and cheese parties, pub crawls, Movie or Oscar nights, murder mystery, concerts or dinners.

Going Once, Going Twice
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Charity Chores
Everyone needs a hand once in a while, so do some dog walking, lawn mowing, or baby sitting. The money you make will bring you one step closer to your fundraising goal. Spread the word by hanging posters with contact information on tear off tabs at your local community center, grocery store, or coffee shop.

Get Crafty
Are you a great photographer, avid knitter, jewelry maker, or do your kids enjoy making projects? Sell your art to raise money or consider organizing a raffle or auction.

Haute Cause
Do you have gently worn clothes that you no longer want? Chances are you’re not alone. Organize a clothing swap. Ask your friends to make a $10 donation and bring along five items.

Celebrate Hope
Do you have a birthday, graduation, anniversary, or other special occasion coming up? In lieu of gifts, ask friends and family to make a donation to your personal fundraising page.

It’s in the Garage
Ask team members, friends, family members, co-workers, and neighbors to donate unwanted items and host a Saturday morning garage sale to benefit your fundraising campaign.

FUNDRAISING AT COMMUNITY EVENTS

WHERE TO SEND DONATIONS:
Donations, clearly marked with a participant’s name and the name of the event, may be mailed to the address below or turned in on event day.

National Brain Tumor Society
Attn: [Event Name]
55 Chapel Street, Suite 200
Newton, MA 02458

Please do not send cash.

FUNtastic FUNdraising ideas!

Dine and Donate
Ask the manager at your local restaurant to donate a percentage of the day’s proceeds to support your fundraising efforts. Work with the restaurant to create a flyer and make sure to let everyone in your network know. Or host a dinner party, brunch or lunch and ask guests to make a donation.

Sup’r Cuts
Organize a cut-a-thon or head shave at your local salon. The proceeds from haircuts can be given to NBTS.

Don’t sweat it (or do)
What better way to get ready for your event, than with some healthy exercise? Whether it’s spinning, yoga, or dancing, ask your instructor to donate the fees from a specific class.

It’s a Wrap
The holidays are a great opportunity to raise funds. Offer to wrap gifts for friends and family in exchange for a donation.

You’re a Saint
Ask your church to make an announcement during the service, challenge the youth group to help you fundraise, ask member to join your team.

Community Jars
Ask your local dry cleaners, or a business you frequent to put up a change box near the register for their customers to donate spare change. Then roll the change up - you’ll be surprised by how fast all those coins add up!

Home Run
Buy a set of tickets at the group discount rate. Host a tailgate party and charge your guests twice the amount you paid for the tickets!

Local News
Contact your local newspaper editor/writer/columnist and ask them to put your team’s story in the next issue. Make sure they include your online fundraising webpage and ask for donations. Or simply ask them to advertise your fundraising event.

Backyard Ballin’
Host a dodge ball (or any other sport) tournament, laser tag event, Wii Tournament and invite your neighborhood.

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It's a Full House
Invite everyone over for a backyard poker tournament. Ask local businesses to donate prizes and or food. Add a silent auction, plenty of re-buys and add-ons.

Product Party
Everyone loves a good excuse to go to a party! Host a home product party at your next get-together. Ask the sales representative to donate 25%-50% of sales to your fundraising campaign.

Hey Kids
People have a hard time saying no to kids! Ask your kids, niece, nephew, or cousins to help you fundraise by hosting a lemonade stand. Have children draw a picture and send it to family and friends asking for a donation or organize a scavenger hunt.

A (Really) Happy Birthday
Have an upcoming birthday? Ask for donations in lieu of gifts.

Bunco or Bingo Anyone?
Ask all your pals to come over for a friendly game of Bunco or Bingo. Charge an entry fee and get prizes donated for the winners and let the good times roll!

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Make something to sell. Do you make jewelry, scarves, or blankets? You can even make holiday decorations and sell them for donations.

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Go to the Movies
You can contact your local movie theater to see if they will show a special taping of a new movie. They can either give you the discount movie group rate (and you sell the tickets for more) or you can rent out the entire theater and invite your friends and their friends to watch.

Recycle
Collect cans, bottles and electronics, and take them to the recycle center. Donate the funds to collect.

Green Thumb
Grow a veggie garden and flowers and sell them to co-workers and friends.

FUNDRAISING AT WORK

Change for Change
Are pennies, nickels, quarters, and dimes weighing down your wallet? Set up a change jar at your home or in your office, and invite folks to lighten up by getting rid of their extra change.

Muffins Anyone?
Host a bake sale for your office, your office building etc. Ask employees to donate items to sell and make sure to advertise, advertise, and advertise! Another tip – don’t price the items. Just ask for a donation and tell them it’s going to the National Brain Tumor Society. Some people might give you much more!

Matchmaker
Many companies will match donations made by their employees. Ask your company if they have a similar program. Then ask your co-workers to donate and fill out the appropriate form. You can turn those $25 donations into $50 donations!

We All Scream for Ice Cream
Ask a local grocer to donate some ice cream and charge co-workers $3 or more to make their own sundae one afternoon. This also works great for root beer floats.

Parking Space Raffle
Does your CEO have a reserved parking space? Ask him/her to raffle it off for a week, a month, or for the year!

Time Off
Ask your boss if employees can “give back” one or more vacation days and the company will make a donation to National Brain Tumor Society. Or you can ask your boss to raffle a day off.

Casual or Kooky for the Cause
Everyone likes an excuse to skip the school uniform or business suit – especially when it’s to support a great cause. Promote a denim, crazy hat, or maybe even a PJ day! Make sure it’s ok with your school or employer, then sell badges that the participant can wear to show their support for the cause.

Go to Jail Card
Put your boss in “jail” for a day! Co-workers or pay to put the boss in “jail” and he/she must raise funds (by requesting donations from vendors, clients, etc.) to get bailed out. It’s a fun way to be creative with your CEO’s time.

Extended Lunch
Who doesn’t love a long lunch? Show a favorite movie during key lunch hours and charge $5 or more. Just be sure to get the boss’ ok and ask your local grocer to donate the popcorn and snacks.

Candy Grams
Don’t be afraid to dress up and sing for donations!