



### Fun-Raising Ideas

**Fundraising for the walk allows us to provide life changing care for those affected by ALS. Start a fundraiser, make a difference and have fun doing it!**

- **#ChallengeMe:** It's been 10 years since the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge soaked the world. The \$115 million raised is having an impact in the search for a cure. But the truth is ALS is one of the most complex diseases to understand, and we still need your help. Today, we join the founders of the Ice Bucket Challenge, and the entire ALS community, in saying "Challenge Me!"
- **Ice Bucket Challenge:** 2014 may be a thing of the past, but the ice bucket challenge will always bring awareness for ALS. Challenge your friends to donate and you take the bucket!
- **In Your Face ALS:** The pie [#InYourFaceALS](#) challenge is one of the many ways people can participate in the [#ChallengeMe](#) campaign. It's an opportunity to say: You think I won't take a pie in the face to help raise awareness about ALS?
- **Costume Challenge:** Halloween is just around the corner! Have a competition between your coworkers and ask for donations for the best costume!
- **Have fundraising nights with local businesses:** **New Mexico LOVES supporting local business! Places like Chipotle, B2B, breweries, Kelly Jo wine and paint, Buffalo Wild Wings, Flying Star, Geeks who Drink, Goodwill, Savers, Etc love to help! Katie has a list that she can provide to you!**
- **Dress-down day:** Charge faculty and administrators who wants to participate. Make certain that you ask permission of Human Resources, first. We will make you stickers!
- **Sell buttons or t-shirts displaying your logo.**
- **Negativity Jar:** if someone is being negative, they must donate to the negativity jar
- **Bag groceries:** Ask a local grocery store if you can bag people's groceries for donations. Be certain to put up a sign saying what the money supports.
- **Raffles:** Sell tickets and keep ticket stubs. Do this publicly. The winner receives a prize.
- **Auction:** Ask local stores to donate goods! Have individuals, groups and co-workers donate goods and services. Be creative in what you can auction off and make certain that the goods and services are sold at

reasonable prices.

- **Organize a golf outing:** charge your friends to play, see if the course will donate green fees and cart fees!
- **Jellybean count:** Fill a jar with jellybeans and have people pay to guess how many there are in the jar.
- **Perform a free service for donations:** Rake leaves, shovel snow, take care of a pet. When offering your service, ask the person who benefited from your actions for a donation toward your worthy cause.
- **Band and choir concerts:** Ask a Juniata band to donate their time by performing a benefit concert for your cause. Charge admission for the event.
- **Sell candy, cards, etc.:** Work with reputable businesses that provide merchandise you can sell. Be sure at least half of the money raised goes to your cause.
- **Carnival day:** Host a mini carnival, with games, prizes and popcorn, in a local park or your own backyard. Charge admission and/or a small fee to play games.
- **Spaghetti Dinner:** Prepare a great dinner for students or community members and charge a fee.
- **Hold a Theme Party:** Decide on a fun theme. Charge an entrance fee, but be sure to explain to people what their cover charge is going towards.
- **Pledges:** Gather pledges to have dance-a-thons, rock-a-thons, or any other type of endurance contest you can think of.
- **Food Fast:** Get together with a group of friends, gather pledges, and fast for a full 24 hours.
- **Piñata Contest:** Charge a fee to have each blindfolded person have one turn at trying to break a candy-filled piñata.
- **Craft Sale:** Make all the crafts yourself and sell them.
- **Family Barbecue:** Host a family barbecue with games and activities.
- **Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament:** Organize a basketball tournament in your school with the winning team receiving a prize. This can also be done with soccer, tennis, badminton, volleyball, or any other sport.
- **Swim-a-thon:** Get sponsors for the number of laps you swim.
- **Beat the Goalie:** Pick the best hockey or soccer goalie you know and invite people to try to score a goal for a prize. Every participant has to pay to play.
- **Bingo:** Host a bingo night at a local hall, place of worship, or school.
- **Plant Sale:** Organize a plant sale with plants donated by local nurseries.
- **Boat Race:** Organize a model boat race on a body of water. Charge a participant/spectator entrance fee. The winner of the race gets a prize.
- **Fruit Stand:** Get permission to go to local farms and pick fruit to sell. Sell the produce in high-traffic areas or at community festivals.
- **Book (used book) Sale:** Ask all your friends, relatives, and teachers to donate their old books. Advertise your book sale by means of posters and flyers. Set up a table and sell books. If there are leftovers, you can always give them to a needy library, shelter, or school.
- **Bowling:** Organize a bowling night or a competition. Charge everyone a small fee to enter or have participants get bowl-a-thon pledges.
- **International Dinner:** Have people from various ethnic origins cook traditional foods, and then charge admission to an international dinner.
- **Balloon Pop:** Before filling a balloon with air or helium, put a note inside. Have a certain number of the notes worth a prize. Have people buy balloons and pop them in the hope of getting the prize. Be sure to pick up the broken balloons afterwards.

- **Scavenger Hunt:** Set a route and make a list of items that the participants need to find in order to win. Advertise your scavenger hunt well and charge everyone a small fee to participate. The winning person/group gets a prize.
- **Car Wash:** With a group of friends, set up a car wash in the parking lot of your school, church, or public area. (Be sure to ask for permission and make sure that people are careful of moving cars).
- **Classic Car Show:** Organize a classic automobile show. Invite people to attend and to bring their cars by placing ads in local newspapers, leaving flyers at local businesses, and charging people to come and see the show.
- **Miniature Golf:** Build a nine-hole miniature golf course at your school, featuring ramps, water and sand traps, and other obstacles. Charge people to play a round during lunch.
- **Bench-a-thon:** Have people bench press weights in the school gym and collect pledges for every pound they lift. Make sure all participants have spotters.
- **Pumpkin-decorating Contest:** Around Halloween, hold a pumpkin-decorating contest among different grades of homerooms.
- **Comedy Hour:** Host a comedy skit during lunch at your school and charge people to attend.
- **Nacho Party:** Plan a morning to make nachos and popcorn, which can be sold during lunch.
- **Eating Marathon:** Have a pie eating, hot-dog eating, or ice cream-eating contest. You can charge people to participate or to watch, or you can make all participants obtain pledges.
- **Ugly tie, worst hair-do, best mismatched outfit:** Have the students come to an event, dinner, or a sports game where the vote will take place. Provide a prize to the winner.
- **Calendar Sale:** Create a calendar highlighting the projects and members of your organization, and sell it to students and their family members.
- **Sports Tournament/Fitness Competition:** Organize a sports tournament or fitness competition. Advertise well and charge spectators to come and watch groups compete. You may need to have medical personnel on hand.
- **Art Sale:** Have local artists donate some of their works, which will be displayed and then sold to the public.
- **Game Show:** Recreate one or more of your favorite game shows and charge contestants a small entrance fee. Sell tickets to the audience.
- **Gardening:** Tend the garden of a neighbor, a local store, or community park for a donation.
- **Karaoke:** Rent a karaoke machine, sell tickets or charge an admission fee, and sing all night.
- **Kilometers of Coins:** Gather donations of coins (pennies, dimes, or quarters) and lay them side-by-side until they stretch out to be a kilometer long. Alternatively, surround your gym, library, or parking lot with the coins.
- **Recipe Book:** Gather together favorite recipes and put them together in a book. Sell the book through your school, sports organization, or community center. Try to get the photocopying donated by local businesses.