

FAITH BUILD

Putting FAITH into ACTION

Generosity Challenge **Ideas for Fundraising**

While funds for the Faith Build Generosity Challenge may come from individual donations from your faith group, significant funds are often raised during special events and activities. Projects like these can help keep members excited and involved in Faith Build.

Giving Calendar

Giving Calendar is a stay-at-home activity you can do as an individual or as a family unit. This calendar is designed to involve the entire family in contemplating the people and things that make a home, as well as exploring what those living in dilapidated, overcrowded, or insecure housing may experience just to get through every day. Every day, you donate a small amount to the Faith Build home if your home includes any of the items listed for that day. For example, on Day 5, deposit 30 cents if you have a living room.

Online Auction

The Online Auction is a fundraising event that will be hosted by Habitat. All proceeds from the event will support the Faith Build home. We hope to give back to our local businesses in the La Crosse area by kindly asking congregations to purchase gift cards or items from local businesses and donate them for auction items. This online event will begin November 6th.

Construction from Home

If you have a toolshed at your house and love the art of woodworking, this is a great option for you. Purchase kits from Habitat that include all the items you need to complete easy, medium, and difficult projects. Fun for all ages and skill levels. Once the small do-it-yourself projects are complete, you can either keep them or drop them off for sale at our ReStore to raise even more funds.

Peer-to-Peer Fundraising

Tell your friends and family about our generosity challenge and where to donate. Tell them to tell their friends, and so forth. The most effective way to spread a message is by word-of-mouth. Habitat can also provide customized online peer-to-peer fundraising webpages for individuals and groups. It would mean the world to us if you told others about the change we will make for a family in need in our community.

Fill the Truck

Arrange a date with your Habitat representative and engage your congregation to bring donations to Fill the ReStore truck in your parking lot or some other central location for members. The ReStore accepts items in good condition including appliances, cabinetry, furniture, doors, flooring, hardware, HVAC, lighting and electrical, lumber, masonry, plumbing, and windows. Sales will be tracked to support the Faith Build.

Other Simple Ideas:

- Take a special offering or have a special pledge Sunday. (Use construction hats as offering plates.)
- Ask your members to make a donation and sign a House of Hope board.
- Challenge your small groups and youth groups to some healthy competition to help raise the funds.
- Giving Tree with hearts that have varied amounts. Members remove a heart off the tree and donate the corresponding amount of money.
- Hold a bake sale or craft event.
- Hold a rummage sale with members bringing items to sell.
- Organize a group from your faith group to make a dinner and sell meal tickets.
- Put 144 envelopes in the church, numbered from \$1 to \$144, and ask church members to donate for the amount of money on the envelope.
- Invite your faith group to a healthy competition to see who has the best soup or chili. Have individuals pay to eat and judge.
- Youth groups or families can have a lemonade stand.
- Service board - members post to a bulletin board of odd jobs or service projects for around their home and the price they will pay for the service. Or members or your youth groups donate services such lawn mowing, dog walking, babysitting, and snow shoveling and have your members bid on the services.