

# Taking it to the streets for 35 Years!

2020 AIDS Walk & Run Fundraising Toolkit

# **HOW HOW TO ASK FOR MONEY**

People want to support you and the causes you care about. Give them the opportunity to help!

You're asking for a cause, not yourself. Talk about the cause and use the price points we provide so donors can decide for themselves how much they're comfortable giving.

Every dollar counts! You don't have to ask for large donations. Even \$5 donations add up.

We provide email templates, Facebook posts, and your participant page to make it easy to share information about the Walk. You don't have to ask for money in person to bring in lots of donations!

If you're feeling stuck or want any assistance, reach out to us! We are here to help.

## **5 Steps to Fundraising**

#### 1. SET A GOAL

Be realistic but optimistic! How much do you have time to raise? How many friends can you get to donate \$5? \$20? A good starting place for an individual is \$200, and for a team, \$1000. Having a goal will help you stay motivated!

#### 2. RECRUIT TEAMMATES

Many hands make light work. Get friends to join you on a team and you'll have help bringing in money. If 5 of your friends get 5 of their friends to donate, that's 25 donations!

#### 3. ASK YOUR COMMUNITY

People want to support you and the causes you care about! Every donation counts. Even if someone declines to participate, you are helping spread awareness. Check out our fundraising ideas!

#### 4. HOST AN EVENT

One of the most effective ways to raise money is to invite a group over for an event. Keep it cheap and easy by hosting it at someone's home and ordering pizza or making food together. Ask for \$10 donations. Have a BBQ, Game Night, Bake Sale, or Movie Night! Easy and fun!

#### 5. TRACK YOUR PROGRESS

Signing up early allows you to pace yourself in your fundraising and to see what's working. Keep your eye on this goal! Your participant page shows you how close you are.

#### **GOT QUESTIONS? WE'RE HERE TO HELP!**

# WAYS TO FUNDRAISE

### How to raise \$1000, easy!

10 donations of \$100

20 donations of \$50

40 donations of \$25

200 donations of \$5

## **Raffles & Giveaways**

Spice up your fundraising by giving away a prize! We've got lots of great prizes we'd be happy to send you. Email your contact at the AIDS WALK office.

#### Skill Trade

Use your skills and hobbies to raise money. Good at drawing? Sell sketches for donations to the Walk. Love to play guitar? Give a friend a lesson in exchange for a donation!

Local business cash registers

Many local businesses are happy to support a good cause. Ask your local coffeeshop, gym, or bookstore to put a donation bin at the register for your Walk team. Make sure to stop by and collect what's been added!

#### Restaurant Fundraiser

Many restaurants will donate a percentage of proceeds to a group. The key is to gather a large enough group to meet the fundraising minimum. View restaurants in your area which host fundraisers here: Http://Groupraise.com

# Company match

Double your impact! Many companies will match their employees' charitable gifts. Check out our list of companies that match and encourage your donors to check with their companies about matching their gifts!

Log into your Participant Center and get started!

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