

# Fundraising Packet



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## **FirstGiving Fundraising** | [www.firstgiving.com/campnolimits](http://www.firstgiving.com/campnolimits) |

FirstGiving is a great way to help you cover your camp fees. Camp No Limits offers you the avenue of raising these funds through the donation website, FirstGiving. Here you can track, manage and promote your fundraising efforts. Each participant is encouraged to raise \$500 to help cover costs of attending camp.

Rules around FirstGiving donations relative to Camp No Limits:

- Funds allow you to access food, lodging and all program activities during your time at camp.
- Funds DO NOT cover travel fees to get to camp.
- If you have to cancel attending camp one year, funds raised cannot be carried over more than a two-year period.
- All fundraisers must be communicated to the Communications and Marketing Coordinator. Camp No Limits needs to be aware of any fundraisers and the amount raised.

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To further support your fundraising initiatives, Camp No Limits has also created an assortment of resources that you can either download and print from the camp website or request to have by mail.

## Downloadable Resources

### **Camp No Limits Brochures**

Camp brochures are available online for you to download and print for use at your fundraiser. If you'd like us to send you some printed on glossy paper, please contact us to make arrangements.

### **Camp No Limits Information Signs**

Print off as many of these as you'd like to hang around your venue or post at a registration table!

### **Donation List**

Use this handy sheet to keep track of donations you receive. This can be used for monetary donations and in-kind donations as well. This will also help if you would like to send out thank-you cards as well!

## By Mail Resources

### **Camp No Limits Banner**

We have a few camp banners available to be mailed to you to display at your fundraiser. You will have to send these banner back to us within the week of your fundraiser so that they are available for others to use. Please contact us for details and to make arrangements.

### **Donation Envelopes**

These envelopes are great to put out on tables or have available to hand out to potential supporters. Don't forget to have an envelope drop basket to collect them in! Please contact us for details and to make arrangements.

### **Donor Letter on Camp No Limits Letterhead & Tax Exemption Letter**

Often different corporations and businesses will ask for a donation letter and proof of tax exemption. We can provide you with copies of both to help support you further.

"It always seems impossible, until it's done." – Nelson Mandela

RESOURCES

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Here are some ideas for fundraisers to get you started! These ideas range in the level of difficulty and amount of people needed to pull together each fundraiser. We'd love to hear your ideas for content as well!

## The Extras

Almost every fundraising event you choose, you could incorporate "The Extras". Here is a list of things to consider adding to your event to help bring in additional funds.

- **A Raffle:** Gift Baskets, Gift Certificates, or a 50/50 draw! Get creative!
- **Free Will Donation Basket:** Create a table that promotes your cause and include a basket for added giving. Don't forget to add some of your camp photos!
- **Silent Auction:** Collect donation items from your community and add a silent auction to your event!
- **Camp No Limits Resources:** Check the Camp No Limits website for support resources that you can print. Refer to previous page for all available resources.

Can you think of additional resources we could create to help you to support your fundraiser? Let us know!

Before you dive into fundraiser mode, check out these suggestions to see what might work for you.

- Check with your employers or have your relatives to check with their employers for company matching opportunities
- Check out United Way. Simple to sign up and they will match your fundraising dollars. Please let us know if a company is matching any family donations.
- When shopping on Amazon.com please select Amazon Smile and choose No Limits Limb Loss Foundation as your charity. Shop just as you normally do and a portion of your total will go towards helping Camp No Limits.

## Your FirstGiving Page

Whichever fundraising avenue you choose, remember to provide the link for people to donate to your FirstGiving page online. Or you can ask to create an event so that individuals can create a page under the event name.

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## Host a party

You can host different parties like Pampered Chef, 31 bag parties, Scentsy, etc. Often they will donate a portion of the sales. Choose a company that you and your family and friends would be interested in, bring them together at your home and make some sales! There are lots of these small business initiatives popping up all over the place so it won't be hard to find a representative near you!

## Local Restaurants

Check with local restaurants for example: Chick-Fil-A will host and donate a percentage of the sales that night if you speak with them about it. Panera Bread and Margaritas restaurants have similar promotions. Check with various restaurants and if they agree spread the word, hand out flyers and spread via social media. We will help you promote as well!

## Have a Party

Instead of asking for gifts, ask your guests to bring a donation for Camp No Limits to your next birthday party or other celebration.

## In Lieu Of Flowers

It has become an acceptable practice of asking loved ones to donate to favorite causes in lieu of donating flowers or gifts. Please consider Camp No Limits for this sort of giving.

## Host an Art Show

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium-Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Do you have some artistic talents or have some friends that do? Turning a space into a mini-museum of local talent is both fun and distinctive. Why not use this idea to raise money for your camp fees, and have family members, classmates and the community bid on original artwork? Tip: It is best to have the art matted or framed beforehand, which can be done relatively cheap.

Create clever promotional techniques to draw as many people as possible to your event. Spread the word throughout your community, your school and any organizations you and your family are involved with!

“Donor loyalty is not about the donor being loyal to you, it is you being loyal to the donor.” – Harvey McKinnon

## Rock-a-thon

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a couple friends

A Rock-a-thon is a clever way to incorporate supporters of every age! Find a roomy porch or space, gather rocking chairs from your community, and have each participant pay to rock for a set period of time. This idea fosters companionship, conversation, and fun, and requires no physical stamina to complete!

## Watermelon Eating Contest

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a friend

A watermelon-eating contest is a fun summer activity. Appealing to many ages (and healthy, too), watermelons provide the perfect texture and messiness that makes an eating contest fast and fun! Host it at your school or in your community in conjunction with local events. Why not try approaching your local grocery store or farmer's market to see if they would donate some watermelons! This will get a bit messy, make sure you're prepared for clean up!

## Ladies Luncheon

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Host a Ladies Luncheon, possibly in an outdoor space complete with tables for Texas Hold'em, Bridge, and a game of croquet or bocce! You'll need to look around your local community for a great venue, promote your event through social media and/or local advertising avenues, and organize everything you could possibly need for food, entertainment and activities! Get creative!

Check with your local grocery store/farmer's market to see if they are willing to donate to help support your efforts. Consider incorporating things like a raffle or silent auction to help boost your funds.

## Pancake Breakfast

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Organize a pancake breakfast for friends and families in your community. The guests, after paying a flat fee, are invited to enjoy a hearty breakfast of pancakes of every kind, complete with a smorgasbord of succulent toppings! Grocery stores will often donate product or a small gift certificate to shop at their store if you bring in a letter about your cause, so be sure to see if you can get the supplies for the breakfast donated. We have a fundraising letter available for you to give to donors. Please ask us about it!

## Concert

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium-Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Set up a concert, whether it is at a local venue (coffee shops, community centres, your school or church) or in your backyard. Whether you book local talent or have family and friends, setting up a benefit concert, guitar night, or Open Mic Night are great ways to let the good times (and donations) roll!

If you're hosting in a coffee shop, why not ask the manager if you're able to have a percentage of that night's sales? Promote your event throughout your community and in a few different ways (Social media, print/digital media, radio etc.) to bring out as many people as possible! Your venue of choice should help you with promotion as well. While this kind of event will take some extra effort to pull together, it has the potential to bring in lots of donations. Not to mention an incredible night filled with great music and memories!

## Car Wash

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Initiate a car wash to scrub those dirty bumpers clean! Charge extra to have tire rims polished and have a flyer or brochure ready to give to customers that says thanks and explains more about your cause. Why not add a BBQ for while they wait? Check with your local grocery store to see about donations! This would also be a good opportunity to have a free will donation basket available!

Another interesting take on car washes is to get people or businesses to pledge a donation amount per car. You and some friends then wash cars in the community for free. So if a person sponsors \$1 per car and you wash 100 cars, that person will donate \$100! They can pledge any amount from a nickel onwards. Get as many pledges as possible!

## Photography Contest

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a couple of friends

Hold a Photography Contest. Let the devoutly artistic and undiscovered experimenters show off their skills and, in exchange for an entrance fee, submit their work. It is often a good idea to assign a specific theme that has to do with your cause. Depending on the size and seriousness of your contest, it may be wise to appoint as judges those who are truly qualified to analyze photos.

You can host a contest at your community centre, in the mall or at your school. Check out all of your venue options and chose the most cost effective option and the one that will get the most traffic to your event.

## Cooking Contest

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a couple of friends

Host a cooking contest. Let local residents or restaurants chip in their best dish from a given category. Elect judges, have prizes, and compile a cookbook of recipes used if you'd like. Some fun cooking ideas: Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Chili, Burgers, Pizza or Dessert! {Mmmm, chocolate themed cook-off} The options are endless and delicious!

Ways you can collect funds:

- Have an entry fee for participants to compete in the contest.
- Charge the public to come in and sample the delicious entries! If you chose this as an option, let the participants know so they can plan to have samples and supplies ready for tastings.
- If you create a cookbook from the recipe submissions, you can sell this as well. Survey the group you gather at your event to determine if this is something they would be interested in, gather their contact information and follow up once you've created your cookbook!

Don't forget to pump up your fundraiser by promoting what people will be supporting and why Camp No Limits is important to you!

## Fashion Show

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium-Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Coordinate a Fashion Show. For an upscale vibe, some department stores are willing to provide the space, models, and clothing for a show in exchange for advertising or a cut of merchandise sold. Or, a fashion show can consist of friends and family as models, strutting their personal designs or taste. It is best to be sure, however, that the show is cohesive and has rhythm and theme. Some even put on hilarious tacky fashion show with friends, family, or church groups.

This is a great venue to add in "the extras". Set out a free will donation basket, hold a raffle and promote your cause! Be sure to check the Camp No Limits website for additional resources. Bring camp photos! Before the show begins, introduce yourself; tell the audience what they are supporting and what it means to you!

## Face Painting Booth

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a couple of friends

A face-painting booth at a carnival or sports game is a low-cost, fun way to generate funds. Gather your artsy friends to help with the painting! Don't forget to promote your cause!

## Casino Game Night

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium-Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a bunch of friends

Have a Casino Game Night, complete with Texas Hold'em, Five Card Draw, Roulette, Blackjack and more. You could hold this at your local community centre, at your school or even at home or in the backyard. Charge a flat fee and the guests play without money. For an extra touch, dress up as poker dealers and serve refreshments. Make this an exciting venue, get people talking, having a good time and watch the donations come your way! Don't forget to add The Extras!

## Haunted House

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium-Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a bunch of friends

When Halloween creeps around, horrify the truly bold by opening a haunted house. For a small fee, trick-or-treaters can be the judges of whether the spectacle is just smoke and mirrors... or a nightmare come alive. Possible venues could be at your school, a community centre, the public library or your house!

This is a great fundraiser to get creative and spooky! Check the internet for haunted house ideas, there are LOADS of great ideas out there that you can do for little to no money up front. Charge a reasonable entry fee, promote the event throughout your community, and create a memorable Halloween experience for children and their families! Don't forget to promote your cause on your promotional flyers and at the event as well!

## Benefit Dinner

**Level of Difficulty:** Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a bunch of friends

Orchestrate a charity or benefit dinner. The most successful of these are usually held in upscale locations and include live entertainment or dancing as well as just dinner. Benefit dinners are ideal when seeking out potential large donors or corporate sponsors. Adding a silent auction to this type of event will also bring in a lot of extra funds towards your cause. This event takes a lot of preparation and promotion ahead of time.

That being said, and depending on your goal, this is still a great option on a smaller scale. Think in terms of Spaghetti Dinners, Potlucks, etc. Good food has the power of bringing people together!

“Fundraisers should use pride, no apology, when asking for a gift for a charity that is doing good work.” – Henry Rosso

## Cake Walk

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a friend

Cake Walks are great to add to a bigger fundraising event. This is also an easy event to delegate to a volunteer to run for you so you can focus on the full fundraiser. Have volunteers bake cakes or batches of cupcakes to donate to your event, the more the better! Ask friends, family, local church members, and even your teachers! Display the cakes for all to see on a cake table. Now it's time to set up the walk!

1. You will need a large clear area to have the walk (gymnasium, community centre, playground).
2. Make number signs for the floor, depending on the size of your event, 10-20 will do. Use cardstock, cardboard or poster board. Something that is durable. Or use chalk if outside and there is a parking lot or pavement pad in the playground.
3. Set out your numbers. They could be in a circle, square or you could get creative with the shape!
4. People will pay to participate in the walk (set a reasonable amount, 50 cents to a dollar). You want them to participate multiple times!
5. You will also need a basket of the same numbers as you have on the floor.
6. Once you have enough people, one for every number, it's time to start the music!
7. When the music begins, people will start walking around the numbers and when it ends, everyone should be on one number.
8. Draw a number from the basket and whoever is standing on that number gets to choose a cake of their choice to take home with them!
9. Play again with new players!

## Potluck Dinners

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Potlucks are a great way to generate funds and promote community spirit at the same time. You can host a potluck at your community centre, school or other community organizations. Gather volunteers, friends and family and ask them to contribute meal items and desserts. Offer a variety of drinks, decorate the tables and maybe have an acoustic guitar set to create a fun mood!

Charge a fee per plate and offer a smaller fee for children. Have volunteers serve tea and coffee and clear plates throughout the night. You'll need volunteers to set up tables, wash dishes, and clean up at the end of the evening. Advertise your potluck through social media and local news avenues. This is a great fundraiser to have gift basket/certificate raffles as well to add to your funds.

## Gift Baskets

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a friend

The following is a contribution from one of our camp families and their fundraising experience!

"I think the key to our success has been putting our story out there. I found that people and businesses generally want to give. It makes them feel good and for businesses it is good marketing. Once we had a date set for my work fundraiser I thought about in addition to asking for donations what would make people open their wallets so we decided to do a raffle of various gift baskets and a 50/50. We would go broke if we put together every basket so we asked businesses we frequently visit if they would donate and we asked friends to pitch in (we have awesome friends).

Through word of mouth Abigail's story spread and more people offered to donate items. Everything was raffled off at my work but I think doing an online silent auction would actually raise more since it would reach more people. That's going to be my next campaign." – Anita

## Baseball Game

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

The following is a contribution from one of our camp families and their fundraising experience!

"For the Blue Rocks game, we met with a few venues but decided on the baseball game. We hope that making it a family event on a weekend will draw out more people. For this fundraiser we spread the word through friends first, and now social media. I have a producer friend at CBS and a news anchor friend at FOX who are helping me with promoting and organizing. Explaining where the donations go seems to have a big impact. Our goal is to raise another \$3000. Initially we had a goal if \$1000." – Anita

We are truly appreciative of the dedication and hard work Anita and her family is putting towards raising funds for Camp No Limits! These efforts are a great example of using your assets, in this case her friends at CBS and FOX, to really bring your fundraiser to life! Challenge yourself to see how big you can make your fundraiser! Do you have connections to news media? Radio? Social media? These are great avenues to explore when considering your fundraiser!

"Fundraisers are the catalyst of change." - Unknown

## Comedy Night

**Level of Difficulty:** Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a bunch of friends

Recently, the Eustace family organized a very successful fundraiser for Camp No Limits! This was the second annual Comedy Night in Boston and they raised nearly \$15,000.00! Here are some things that made their event a success.

1. The comedian they had for the performance agreed to host at a discounted rate and some of the comedians that attended last years event donated their time.
2. The venue charged \$10 per plate and \$100 per wait staff. This venue benefited from alcohol sales.
3. There was a silent auction, a 50/50 raffle and a raffle for other donated items.
4. After the comedy show, they showed the Camp No Limits video and some of the organizers spoke about camp while a silent slideshow played in the background.
5. Around the venue were picture books, the camp banners, camp brochures and more to inform attendees all about Camp No Limits!
6. The organizers chose their venue wisely keeping the location in mind and what amenities the venue offered.
7. They sold individual tickets to the show for \$50 and sold tables for \$500 for a group of people. You can determine how much you'd like to sell each table or ticket for. For instance, at a similar event in Texas, they attempted to get corporate sponsors at \$1500 per table.
8. On the tables, a volunteer created donation cards and they were able to raise an additional \$300 that way as well. You can have a similar option by asking for donation envelopes from us and we'll gladly mail you some.
9. When considering an event like this or ones similar, you will have more success to host it in an urban setting verses a rural one.

## Gourmet Meal

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Are you a great chef or know someone who is? Why not sell tickets to people in your community/school/other organizations you're involved in and the winner wins a chef prepared gourmet meal!

This is a great low overhead cost fundraising option. Create the tickets easily on your computer and pay for the ingredients to be cooked! Get a few of your outgoing friends together to help you sell tickets and spread the word around your community.

## M&M Minis

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a friend

Here is a fun idea.

1. Buy a box of M&M mini tubes; usually a box of 25 is \$24.99.
2. Print your own label explaining your cause and the process of filling the tube. Standard 4x3" mailing labels work great!
3. You and a friend sell the tubes for \$1 (leave the candy inside) to make your money back and eliminate any loss.
4. People eat the candy and put their change in the tube.
5. You might want to keep track of who you sell the tubes to so you can give them friendly reminders to return them to you once they are filled with change.
6. They bring it back when it's full. If they fill it with quarters, it should hold about \$21.75! If everyone fills their tube with quarters and all 25 are returned to you, you have raised over \$500!

## 144 Envelopes

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a friend

This is an interesting idea that has the potential to pay off BIG! Consider adding this to a larger event. Display 144 envelopes on a table or on the wall. Number each envelope \$1 - \$144. So \$1, \$2, \$3, etc. Ask people to make a donation with that amount of money in it. Seal each envelope and flip over to know which are free to donate to. If every envelope got filled you will have raised \$10,800! Don't forget to display Camp No Limits information and some camp photos!

## Noodles & Doodles (Pasta Dinner & Art Auction)

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium-Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Create your own original artwork on your own or with friends (paintings, sculptures, poems, anything!). If you'd like, create around a theme... think camp, or independence or ability! The more artwork the better. Sell tickets in advance, \$10 each is a good price point. At the event, have all of the art displayed for all to see and enjoy. Serve pasta dinner with a couple of ingredient options just to keep things interesting and also to account for common allergies.

Get a few friends/volunteers, dress in black and white to serve/clear tables. To increase profits, get donations for tableware and food. If you do a silent auction and have artwork leftover, simply do a fast live auction. This will cause excitement and sometimes these pieces will usually go for more than those in the silent auction.

"Fundraising is the gentle art of teaching the joy of giving." – Henry Rosso

## Mixed Bag Designs

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a couple of friends

This company offers a fundraising option and it's pretty fantastic! You sell awesome reusable shopping bags and get to keep 50% of the profit to go towards your camp fees! This is a chance to raise the money you need for camp and do something good for the environment at the same time. See if a couple of friends would help you sell bags. The more sales you make, the more funds you raise!

Find out more by going to their website. <http://fundraiser.mixedbagdesigns.com>

## Party Lite Candles

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a couple of friends

This company also offers a fundraising option but with candles! Once again, you make 50% of the profit. Get a couple of your friends together to help you promote your candle party! Ask your parents to invite their work colleagues, invite your friend's parents, and everyone in all of the different organizations you are in! The more people you can get to come, the more potential for candle sales!

There is an informative PDF available online at the link below to explain how the whole thing works and how much money you could fundraise! Check it out! <http://www.partylite.com/regional/fundraisers>

## Sell Handmade Items

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a friend

Are you crafty? Try selling your handmade items at local craft sales and other community events. If you talk with the organizer about your cause, they might waive the table fee. Bring a friend along to help you with sales and spreading the word! Display your items attractively, put on a happy face and work the crowd!

Don't forget to display information about why you are raising money. Tell your story to those who come to your table! Have a free will donation jar, they may not want to buy your handmade creations but might give a donation to help you instead!

Did you know that one water or soda bottle filled with dimes equals \$100?!  
So easy!

## Charity Bike Ride

**Level of Difficulty:** Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

This is a fun way to bring your community together, promote your cause and get fit at the same time! Work with your community leaders to establish a fun, safe 5 Km biking route for your event then promote like crazy! You can also create a fun theme to help round out your event and make it more fun and memorable for participants. Please ensure your community will support this kind of event before pursuing. You might need special permissions.

Clearly mark the route, provide water/refreshment stations at different intervals and have prizes for top fundraiser or best costume etc. Use all media forms to promote your event, your cause and bring your community together for an afternoon of fun! Make sure all participants are wearing bike helmets and promote biking safety.

Maybe form a partnership with your local bike shop. They can help promote your event, be available to help with minor bike tune-ups that might pop up and demonstrate the proper way to wear a helmet. In exchange, they can promote their business services; offer discount cards to get new customers to their store etc.

## Fun Run

**Level of Difficulty:** Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Fun Runs are really popular right now. Organize a 5 Km run in your community. Please ensure your community will support this kind of event before pursuing. You might need special permissions. Invite participants to come run, walk, rollerblade, skateboard or stroll in their wheelchair! Make it a family fun day and not a competition. Have participants raise a set amount or have open donations. You might have to work with your community to determine the best/safest route to create for your participants.

Before the event begins, clearly mark the route with signs/ribbons for everyone to know which way to go! Have refreshments and water stations available along the route. Try to end your event at a school, community center or partnering business. Here you can have refreshments for sale, or even a bake sale! Make sure you have the Extras as well so people can learn about the cause they are supporting. Promote, promote, promote! Use all forms of media you can to promote your event. Bring the community together for an incredible day!

Get creative! Make it more than just a run; make it fun and memorable! Give your Fun Run a theme like Awesome 80s, tie dye, superheroes etc. People love to get goofy and support a great cause! Create an experience that they will remember and will want to partake in again next year! Take group photos and collect email addresses to send as a thank-you after your event!

## Babysitting Day

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Grab a bunch of your friends and hold a babysitting day in early December so parents can get their Christmas shopping done. You determine how much and for how long. Make sure you have responsible friends, plan fun activities for the kids and have a great afternoon!

## Coffee Morning

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a friend

What better way to raise funds and make people happy at the same time? Many people love to start their day with coffee and tea. Sell coffee, teas and maybe some small baked goods at school or work. Have a selection of milks and sweeteners. See if you can get some of this donated from your local grocery store! Borrow coffee makers and teakettles from family or your local community centre.

Why not create this into an ongoing event? Coffee Morning Mondays for example: every Monday morning for a month people can rely on/support you by getting their morning pick-me-ups! Don't just go cheap to make the most profit, offer a good quality coffee/teas and supplies so people are more apt to choose your beverage options over their favourite usual go-to.

## Golf Tournament

**Level of Difficulty:** Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a bunch of friends

Golf Tournaments usually bring in a lot of funds if organized and promoted well. They are also very popular so check with your local golf club to determine how many tournaments are held there and when before you decide to take this on as a fundraiser option. If it's a go, solicit gifts from the community and have a silent auction as well. Negotiate with the club to see if you can get a small percentage of bar/food sales. Publicize well, promote your cause and have fun at this great event! If you do a golf tournament, contact us and we can put you in touch with someone who has experience with organizing such an event.

## Odd Jobs

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You

Advertise through your community that you will do odd jobs for people at their homes in exchange for a donation. Community bulletin boards are great places to advertise. Ask your family, friends and those in the different organizations you belong to if they have any jobs you can do. Bring a friend if you don't want to go it alone!

## Bracelet Sales

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You

If you'd like to try selling some awesome camp bracelets, contact Mary and she will hook you up! Sell them for us for \$5 a pop and we'll apply the profit to your camp fees. Bracelets are approximately \$1.50 each so you will make \$3.50 per bracelet sold!

## Greeting Cards

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You

Greeting cards are a fun way to raise money as well. You can use scrapbooking supplies or even your own photography! Get creative, make a bunch of cards and sell them at community events, at school or at work. Don't forget to add an envelope to fit your card!

Consider selling them individually or in packs/coordinating sets. Create a small label for the back of each card to say thank you for their support of your cause. This can easily be done with small mailing labels, your computer and your home printer. Need inspiration? Check Pinterest for ideas or do a Google Image search. The possibilities are endless!

## Take a Guess

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You

Filling a jar with jellybeans, buttons, beans etc. is an easy add-on fundraising option. For a dollar a guess, have people sign up with their names/phone numbers and their guess. If you want to offer something other than the candy prize option for the closest guess, think big!

Consider collecting donations to create a great gift basket, see if you can score some awesome tickets to a concert or sports game, or see if you can get a big prize like a kayak, camping package or something food related. The bigger the prize, the more you can set the price per guess though you might not want to go higher than \$5. Keep it relative to the number of people trafficking through, and the prize value. Wear your camp T-shirt and work the crowd!

“It is impossible to overestimate the motivational effect of conspicuous success.” – Giles Pegram

## Busking

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** Just you or you and some friends

Busking is a fun way to raise some money for your cause if you have the musical/entertainment talents to do so. You should check your local ordinances to see if busking in your areas is possible before venturing out. Some areas may require you to have a license or permit but this isn't common. You can find a high people traffic area in your community to display your talents or you can ask to join in an already existing community event like your local Farmer's Market. Interact with the public, be thankful for each donation you receive and don't forget to share your story as well as your awesome talent!

## Bagging Groceries

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a couple friends

Most grocery stores will work with local community members to help them with their fundraising efforts by allowing them to bag groceries for their customers. Make a couple of donation containers to have at each checkout station you are bagging at. Ask a couple of friends for a few hours of their time to help you out. Wear your camp T-shirt, take some camp brochures and get out there!

## Barbeque

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a few friends

Once again food has away of bringing people together... who can resist a delicious BBQ?! Survey your community for a great spot to have your BBQ. Look for an area that will have lots of people traffic. Talk with your local grocer to see if they will donate food for your events, many will be willing to help out... especially if you tell them about you cause.

Make sure you offer a nice variety of condiments. Don't just stick with ketchup, relish and mustard. Have some sauerkraut, fancy relishes and mustards and hot sauce! Have a garbage can for waste, napkins, gloves for handling food, and enough propane to last the day.

It's up to you how you'd like to collect money. You can either have set prices on the foods you serve or have it freewill. Or you can have a freewill donation container there for those people who don't want BBQ but do want to help you out. Don't forget your Camp No Limits resources to help support fundraiser and wear your camp shirt to show your pride!

"Most giving is 80% emotion and 20% rational. And the best way to get to someone's emotions is to tell a story." - Unknown

## Bottle Drive

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a couple friends

Bottle drives are a great way to raise money and do a good deed for the environment as well. Ask friends, family, teachers, and community members if they would save their refundable bottles for you to help support your fundraiser. Get a couple of friends to ask around as well! Make arrangements to have the bottles picked up with each person who agrees to partake, and then cash in your bottles! Don't forget to send a thank-you to those who contributed to your cause. They might be willing to help you out again next year!

## Video Game Tournament

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium-Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a couple friends

Host an all-night video game tournament in your school gym or community centre. Charge a fee for participants to enter, sell popcorn and other refreshments. Then get ready for the games to begin! Some games to consider: Call of Duty, Rock Band, Guitar Hero, Mario Kart, FIFA

You'll have to work this out with your school/community centre of course and they will likely want you to have adult supervision. Depending on your expected turnout, make sure you have enough volunteer help to keep everyone happy.

Have your friends bring their game systems, get some comfy seating and have fun! Make sure you clean up everything after your event and leave the gymnasium/community centre pristine! If it's a hit, you want to have the option of doing the tournament again next year!

## Scrap Till You Drop!

**Level of Difficulty:** Medium-Hard

**Volunteers:** You and a couple friends

Do you love to scrap?! Scrapbooking that is! This activity is still widely popular and people will pay big money to participate in a well-organized scrapping event. Check the link below to learn more about how to create an awesome fundraising event built around a fun hobby!

Check it out at:

<http://www.fundraiserhelp.com/scrapbooking-fundraiser.htm>

## Dog Walking

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You

Advertise around your community on community bulletin boards, social media and word of mouth that you will walk people's dogs in exchange for a donation. In your advertisements, don't forget to tell people what they will be supporting. It's up to you to set a fee or leave it as a freewill donation. Grab a friend or family member if you don't want to go it alone. The more the merrier! This is a great way to raise money, get some exercise and play with really cute pups!

## Flower Sale!

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You and a couple of friends

Who doesn't love getting flowers? This fundraiser can work for all the holidays or just any old day you want to show someone you care. Purchase flowers in bulk (Costco often has bargains) and divide them into small bouquets. Sell them at your school, workplace or in the community, and put the funds raised towards your camp fees! To make the bouquets extra special, consider having pieces of fancy scrapbook paper available to add as a small card for special messages. Small details can make a huge difference!

## Ice Cream Social

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy-Medium

**Volunteers:** You and a couple of friends

Organize an ice cream social with all the fixin's and sell sundaes at school, work or in your community. Ask your local grocer if they would like to donate some supplies or even local businesses if they would like to sponsor supplies to reduce your overhead costs. The less you pay out, the more profit you earn towards your goals! Use social media to advertise your event and watch people come screaming for ice cream! Don't forget The Extras are not only for your sundaes but also to promote your message as well! Bring camp photos and information signs and let people know how awesome Camp No Limits is!

## Can You Spare a Dollar?

**Level of Difficulty:** Easy

**Volunteers:** You

Below is an example of a form you can create to have a dollar fundraiser. Fill in the name of your cause and your family name and you're good to go! Ask around your community, your school or work for people to donate a dollar and sign on any of the lines. Wear your camp shirt! Each sheet you fill up is \$20 to help to go towards your camp fees. All you'll need is some printed forms, a clipboard, and some pens. Print off as many of these forms as you like and start today!

## Can You Spare a Dollar?

The (Name of Your Cause) is having a dollar fundraiser.

We need your help to raise money to send \_\_\_\_\_ to Camp No Limits!

Would you please help and sign any lines for a dollar?

1. I will start you off \_\_\_\_\_
2. I'm happy to give you a dollar \_\_\_\_\_
3. A dollar won't break me \_\_\_\_\_
4. A dollar isn't very much \_\_\_\_\_
5. I just can't say no \_\_\_\_\_
6. Well since it's you \_\_\_\_\_
7. What's a dollar between friends? \_\_\_\_\_
8. I'll gladly give you a dollar! \_\_\_\_\_
9. My dollar is for a good cause \_\_\_\_\_
10. My dollar helps reach the goal \_\_\_\_\_
11. I wish I could give more \_\_\_\_\_
12. What's one less in my wallet? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Count me in for a dollar! \_\_\_\_\_
14. Sure, I'll give you a dollar! \_\_\_\_\_
15. I'm always glad to help \_\_\_\_\_
16. I can't say no to a friend \_\_\_\_\_
17. A dollar from me to you! \_\_\_\_\_
18. Don't leave me out! \_\_\_\_\_
19. Anything for you friend! \_\_\_\_\_
20. Just because you asked so nicely \_\_\_\_\_