



Interfaith Food Pantry and Resource Center

Fundraiser Ideas

- **Souper Bowl**
 - The “Souper Bowl” is a great time to remind people that not all of our neighbors will be celebrating with a Super Bowl feast. Ask people in your school, group or congregation to donate just \$1 of what they will spend on their own Super Bowl parties to help fight hunger. Ask adults to encourage people at their workplace to do the same.
- **Food Drive**
 - Organize and promote a food drive. Make it fun by creating a theme like Macaroni Monday or Tuna Tuesday. There are many different ideas, promotional material and step-by-step instructions on our website at www.mcifp.org.
- **Hunger Walk**
 - Walk a mile or walk three! Organize your classmates or youth group and have each participant collect sponsors to raise funds to donate to the Pantry. Make it a challenge by setting a fundraising goal or offer prizes to those who collect the most sponsors. Encourage participants to solicit friends and family members via email and social media.
- **Empty Bowls**
 - Host a lunch or dinner where guests will make a donation to receive an empty bowl that your group has either made or collected. Serve the guests soup or chili in those bowls while you discuss what that donation will mean to families served by the Pantry.
- **Canstruction Event**
 - Use your best math, artistic, creative and problem-solving skills to build a structure using cans and other donated food items. Host a contest where the structures are judged, then donate the food to the Pantry.
- **Donate Your Birthday**
 - In lieu of birthday or other gifts, ask friends and family to make a donation to the Pantry. Use social media to spread the word about your birthday donation option.
- **Thanksgiving Turkey Trot**
 - Create a team to run the Pantry's annual Thanksgiving Day 5k. Use a fundraising platform like Crowdrise or GoFundMe to ask friends and family to support your run by donating \$50 to buy a family in need their own Thanksgiving meal.
- **Educate Yourself and Others**
 - Stay current in the fight against hunger by regularly reading news and information about programs such as SNAP, WIC and the School Meals program. Share that information in person and via social media.
- **Social Media**
 - Follow, Like and Share the IFP Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages and ask your friends and family members to give us a Like.
- **Create Your Own Fundraiser**
 - Some of the most creative fundraiser ideas come from local groups in the community! Share your ideas with us and we'll happily help in any way we can.

For more information or to host a fundraiser with the Interfaith Food Pantry and Resource Center, please contact Kiley Powell at (973) 538-8049 x236 or KPowell@mcifp.org.