Passion Fundraising Ideas

Passion Fundraising is an event that is organized by a dedicated volunteer, like you, to support the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. It’s called Passion Fundraising because the theme or activity of the event derives from the volunteer’s passion, hobby or favorite pastime. Passion fundraising events help engage family, friends and your community in your efforts to raise funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Any hobby or passion can be turned into a fundraiser, but here are a few ideas to help you get started:

- **Karaoke Night:** Ask a local Karaoke bar to host a benefit night and include appetizers and drinks in the ticket price.

- **Battle of the Bands:** Are you a musician? Or love music? Ask a local band to play at a barbeque at your house or at a local block party. A great day outside, with great music and food are all included in the ticket price.

- **Zumba/Yoga-athon:** Recruit your favorite yoga or Zumba instructor to donate their time to host a class. Class attendees will pay a donation to participate in the class. This is an easy fundraising activity to adapt for any exercise class your passionate about including swimming, running, spinning, or step aerobics.

- **Super Bowl Shindig:** A perfect event for any sports fan; invite friends, family and co-workers to watch the super bowl. Guests can donate to attend and participate in various Super Bowl games to help raise money for CF. Two examples are Super Bowl Squares and Super Bowl Bingo. This type of event can also be adapted for the Olympics, March Madness or any important sports game of your choice!

- **Scrapbooking Party:** Host a scrapbook day at your home, church or local scrapbooking store. Invite guests to bring their scrapbooking projects, and provide food and beverage. As an added bonus have a stamp rental station or special supplies provided at a discount for guests.

- **Bowl-a-thon:** Host a bowling night and ask your local bowling lane to donate lanes for your party. Provide food and beverage and give a trophy away to the best dressed team. Guests can pay a ticket price to play.

- **“Elemonate CF” Lemonade Stand:** Host a lemonade stand at a high traffic area or during a local sporting event and sell glasses of lemonade. Maximize the fundraising potential and also add a bake sale to your Lemonade Stand.
- **Poker Run**: This type of event is perfect for a motorcycle or all-terrain vehicle enthusiast. Participants gather at a restaurant, bar or home and start off on a tour to five to seven check points where they collect a playing card. The participant with the best poker hand wins. The gathering points will treat participants to food, beverage and possibly entertainment. Participants will pay an entry fee to participate.

- **Door/Cubicle Decorating Contest**: Make your neighborhood, office, hospital or school festive during the holidays or during CF Awareness Month! Teams, individuals and families can pay an entry fee to participate. Each group decorates their front door, classroom door, or cubicle to best fit the frame. Judges will vote for the top three entries and award the winning doors with donated prizes.

- **Field Day**: Love the outdoors and team sports? Rally your friends, family and co-workers together for a day of games out in the Field. Teams can sign up and pay a fee to participate in various round robins of softball, volleyball, dodge ball and any other outdoor game of choice. The day can be complete with food, beverage, and entertainment and gold medals for the winning team.

- **Beer/Wine Tasting**: Partner with a local brewery, vineyard or wine shop/bar to host the beer/wine tasting. Schedule the event to coincide with the premier of a new seasonal brew or during the wine harvest. Tickets for the event will include beer or wine along with snacks and entertainment.

- **Theme Parties**: Any holiday or special event can be cause for celebration and raising funds for CF. Theme parties can range from Halloween, St. Patrick’s Day to an Olympic themed game night. Invite guests to join you at your home, venue or bar to enjoy themed drinks, food and entertainment. Encourage guests to dress in the theme to add to the fun.

- **Iron Chef Cook-Off**: Invite your friends who love to cook and your friends who love to eat to take part in a cook-off. Ask each “Iron Chef” to enter and cook their favorite dish and ask your friends to make a donation to be part of the judging team. The chef with the best dish wins bragging rights, everyone eats great dishes and you raise funds for CFF!

- **Penny Wars**: Families, neighbors and co-workers can form teams and gather spare change from their homes, cars and businesses. Collection jars can be decorated with Great Strides colors, inspirational quotes and photos. Collection teams can come together over dinner (pizza party or barbeque) and count their collections. The winning team gains bragging rights as winners of Penny Wars.