Fundraising

Stuck in a Fundraising Funk? Checkout Fundraising ideas from your SkillsUSA Wisconsin State Officer Team!

Try out some of our ideas? Let us know how it goes!

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- **Chuck-a-Duck**
  - Chuck-a-Duck is great for any sporting events. This is easiest to do with sports that take place with a gym, like basketball or volleyball, but it can be modified easily to fit any activity. Buy some rubber duckies and put numbers on the bottom. Rent them out for $1 before games and record the name of who has which ones. At halftime put a hula-hoop in the middle of your gym. Throwers must stay on the bleachers and Chuck-a-Duck towards the hula-hoop. Whoever lands the closest wins either half the money you raised, or another cool prize!

- **Holiday Sales**
  - An easy way to make money throughout the school year is to have holiday sales. Students love food! Try some of the ideas below;
    - Christmas time- sell candy canes, hot cocoa, or popcorn.
    - Valentine’s Day- Soda sales
      - Soda you wanna be my valentine?
      - You make my heart pop!
      - Crush sodas for your crush.

- **Community Dinner**
  - Community dinners are a great way to raise awareness of SkillsUSA and people love to go out for dinner. Spaghetti is a cheap meal to make for large numbers of people, allowing you to have a large profit margin. You can even invite business owners to lobby for support and donations.

- **Community Dance**
  - Community dances are a relatively inexpensive way to raise a lot of funds. Aim your audience towards the senior members of the community or have a daddy-daughter dance. Either way, by getting inexpensive decorations, simple snacks, cheap parting gifts, a Spotify playlist, and holding it in your school gym, you can maximize profits.
• **Tune-Ups**
  - If your chapter is mechanically skilled, has the space and tools available, and is not afraid to get their hands dirty, providing tune-up services may be an effective fundraiser for you. Teachers, students, and community members often pay high prices for businesses to change the oil in their cars and tune-up their lawn mowers, snow blowers, and bicycles. If there are members of your SkillsUSA chapter capable of providing any of the same services, offer them to members of your community at a reasonable rate to save them money while raising funds for your chapter and honing your skills.

• **Craft Fair**
  - Much like putting on a community dance, your chapter can receive large profit from a simple craft fair. Have your SkillsUSA students create works of art - such as mini welded sculptures, CNC woodcrafts, and framed photographs - and then sell them! Invite other community members to buy booth space at your fair. Hold the fair in your school gym or parking lot.

• **Restaurant Fundraiser - Breanna**
  - Raising money for your local chapter can be as easy as inviting people out to eat. When you partner with a restaurant your chapter can make a portion of the proceeds. Although it depends on the restaurant many will have you either just show up with a slip of paper letting them know where some of the money will go. Otherwise they may have a designated time you go and work. This is great because it lets you interact with your community and share about SkillsUSA. Many places offer similar opportunities to support the community. All you need to do is reach out to the manager of the business and set a date. Once you have that set invite everyone you know and promote it within your school. Some ideas of restaurants include Buffalo Wild Wings, Culvers, Pizza Ranch and Panera Bread.

• **Food sale**
  - Selling food is a really simple way to raise money. Find out what other clubs sell at your school and try to pick something different. Picking something unique like popcorn or beef sticks may make it easier fundraiser. It also allows students to raise money for themselves. They can figure exactly how many of the items they must sell to reach their goal.

• **Raffle**
  - Raffles are a great way of fundraising. You can buy rolls of raffle tickets at Walmart for around 5 dollars. Once that's done you can sell raffle tickets
one for 25 cents or an arm span for 5 dollars. That way you’ll be making a
lot of money for spending very little. The object you raffle off sound be of
good value as well, so that people will want to participate. You can always
accept donations or agree as a team to spend money on what you would
like to raffle off.

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