



2009 Governor's State Employees Food Drive



Food and Fundraising Ideas

Here are just a few ideas for food drive events. This is by no means a complete list, but will hopefully give you some direction if you are looking for ideas.

Easy and very effective fundraiser for most agencies:

- Payroll deductions, including meeting the Governor's Challenge (\$12 per month/\$144)

Common Fundraisers:

- Bake Sales / Taco, Nacho, and Chili Feeds / Salad, Soup, and Potato Bars / Ice Cream Socials
- Silent Auctions (especially for larger-ticket items donated by businesses or individuals)
- Place donation jars and food bins in common areas such as in break rooms or near copiers and fax machines
- Book or Media Sales

Other ideas

- Cake Walks
- Pizza Parties
- Potlucks
- Popcorn Sales
- Guess Who – Baby Picture Contest
- Talent Show
- Film Festival
- Pop Can Collection Station
- Craft Bazaar
- Auction off a Manager – “Walk an Hour in My Shoes” (has the potential to build better understanding between management and classified staff.)
- Recycled Treasure Sale – “One Person's Junk is Another's Treasure”
- Sports Events – Basketball Game, Mini Marathon Run, etc.
- Valentines Events – Singing Telegrams, Balloon Sale, Flower Sale, Chocolate Sale, Valentine Card Sale, Photo Shoot, etc.
- Bag It – Sponsor a Brown Bag Lunch and ask staff to donate the cost of a lunch out or ask everyone to bring a lunch sack of non-perishable foods to donate
- Pyramid Power – Have teams build a pyramid of food or have teams bring food representing the nutritional food pyramid
- Employee/Management Pledges – i.e., to lose weight, walk a certain amount, etc.
- International Kitchen – Have Ethnic Food from Around the World
- Sponsor A Manager – Raise money to have your manager compete in a manager only event – Pie Eating Contest, Tricycle Race, etc.