



## FUNdraising Ideas for the Office

Thank you for fundraising for Junior Achievement (JA) of Washington. The funds raised make it possible for JA to provide in-class and on-site learning opportunities for thousands of local students to develop foundational economic, business, and financial literacy concepts. Below are ideas and suggestions to incorporate into your fundraising efforts. If you have an idea to share, let us know, and we will include it in the next year's list!

**Thank you!**

### JA's Favorite FUNdraisers:

- **JA 'Schoolhouse' Sales:** Sell JA paper schoolhouses for a donation of \$1, \$5, or even \$10 each! Donors write in their name to show their JA pride! Paper schoolhouses available at JA office and post in your office.
- **Jeans for JA:** Employees designate one day or even a whole week as Jeans for JA casual day/week. We provide stickers and employees give a donation (typically \$5 for a Friday or \$15 for a month of Fridays) and proudly show their support for kids by wearing their Jeans for JA sticker on the days they wear jeans to work.
- **Pins for Kids:** 11"x17" bowling pin signs are a great tool to sell to local companies. Custom pins are created and displayed at the JA Bowling venues in a highly visible location — viewed by event participants and regular week-long bowling patrons. \$100 per sponsorship.

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### Entertainment FUNdraisers:

- **Karaoke Anyone?** Set up a portable machine in the lunchroom and watch the employees "ham it up." Charge for participants and/or votes for favorite performances.
- **Penny Wars:** Every penny counts. Divide your office and give each team a "penny" jar". Teams place pennies in their jar and silver coins and dollars in their competitor's jars. The department with the most positive money wins - silver/dollars have negative-value. (Please exchange coins into a money order/check before donation).
- **Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament:** At a set day and time, competitors pay an entry fee and gather to see who the best player is at this classic game. Very easy to organize and no cost is incurred!

### Classic FUNdraisers:

- **Silent Auction:** Use the employee lunchroom or lobby for this very popular fundraiser!
- **Car Wash:** Have your senior staff or some hard-working volunteers wash cars in the parking lot.

## Food FUNdraisers:

- **Bulk Food Sale:** Purchase a box of candy bars or other individually bagged munchies in bulk at bulk store like COSTCO. Put up a sign: "Help kids and satisfy your sweet tooth at the same time! \$\_\_ (you set the price)". Each week change the item!
- **Coffee for a Cause:** Near the coffeepot place a flyer and a jar that could read: "Junior Achievement Month: Every time you drink a cup of coffee, please donate to benefit local JA students!" (you set the price or keep it open).
- **Lunch Sale:** An easy fundraiser that will bring in the troops! Bake the potatoes or make tacos and provide the toppings. Or make it easy, order pizza and charge per slice!
- **Bake Sale:** Who can resist home-baked goods or donuts? You can even host a silent auction bake sale that closes five minutes before lunchtime. Hungry shoppers...what motivation to drive up the bids! Or make it easy, order in pizza and collect donations for slices.

## Sporting / Activity FUNdraisers:

- **Wii Bowling Tournament:** Set up a television and a Wii in a central location in your office. The top scoring bowler at the end of the day or week receives a prize or bragging rights! You can charge for entry and spectator tickets!
- **Jersey Competition:** Get your fellow employees to wear their favorite team's jerseys! Pit Cougars against Huskies and watch the sparks and dollars fly. (\$1-5 per vote)
- **Olympics:** Invite employees to compete in crazy "athletic" events (turkey bowling, hula hooping, etc.) for silly prizes. Participants donate a fee to enter.
- **Fitness Contest:** Secure a local health club chain or a group of friends & co-workers in a weight loss or fitness challenge. Charge for participation and offer prizes.

## Bosses can help with your FUNdraising:

- **Go Home Early:** The boss collects \$25 at the front door from every employee who wants to leave work early.
- **Lunch With CEO/President:** Any employee reaching a goal of \$\_\_ will be treated to a lunch with the CEO or President. What a great opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of the bowlers and their fundraising success.
- **Prime Parking:** Employees purchase raffle tickets to win the boss' parking spot or a designated prime spot for a day or week.
- **You've Been Greened:** Anonymously "decorate" an unsuspecting senior management office from top to bottom with Junior Achievement green then leave a "ransom" note saying the décor can be removed and relocated into another office of their choice for a fee. (Say, \$25).
- **Boss on Display:** Make the boss wear a costume, bring cookies for the entire office, shave their head, etc., if your company reaches its fundraising goal.