



PHILANTHROPY:

Growing a Consistent Donor Base Through Club Fundraisers and Events

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Why is it important to enhance donor engagement through club fundraisers and events?

Enhance Donor Engagement Through Club Fundraisers and Events Allows You to:

- ► Strengthen Donor Relationships
- ►Increase Fundraising Success
- ► Boost Club Visibility

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Examples of Fundraising Events

- Trivia Night
- Give Back Night and Local Restaurant
- Host a Movie Screening in a Local Park or Community Center
- ▶ Bake Sale
- Host a Catered Dinner or Lunch with Silent Auction and Raffle
- Partner with a Local Center or Business to Host a Fundraiser



- Silent Auctions and Raffles
- ► Examples can include:
 - ► Local gift certificates
 - **►**Trips
 - **▶** Jewelry
 - **▶**Purses



Ways to implement corporate sponsorship and donor recognition during events:

- ► Auction/ Area Sponsor
- ► Logos on event program
- ► Logo on-screen during event
- ► Recognition in event script

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Ways to Build Lasting Relationship with Donors After Events

▶ Post Event Engagement:

- Send personal thank you notes by email or mail
- ► Social Media
- ► Laurel Society Information
- ▶ How to become a Stargazer
- ► Inclusion in Mailing Lists and Appeals

Ways to Build Lasting Relationship with Donors After Events

► Cultivating Donors:

- Provide updates on any ongoing projects
- ► Share success stories
- Invite donors to other events or opportunities

RESOURCES

- ▶ The Art of Donor Stewardship: Strategies for Consistent Engagement
 - https://www.weareforgood.com/article/the-art-of-donor-stewardship
- Special Event Follow-Up To Convert Guests to Loyal Donors
 - https://bloomerang.co/blog/special-event-follow-up-to-convert-guests-to-loyal-donors/
- Club Fundraising Resources
 - https://www.soroptimist.org/for-clubs-and-members/federation-information/sias-big-goal/fundraising-resources.html