



Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers

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DO-IT-YOURSELF FUNDRAISING

“Neighbors Helping Neighbors”

You can help an older or disabled adult in need by using your talents and interests to help raise funds and awareness for the Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers (IVC) program by organizing and holding your own Do-It-Yourself (DIY) Fundraising Event. Maybe you like to help plan, organize and do things for others? Or perhaps you have been wanting to volunteer for IVC, but your schedule is full and you have little time for anything else? You could even turn an event you are already planning into a fundraiser!

Your efforts would contribute greatly to the IVC program, helping to provide funds to reach out to the many older and disabled adults in need in our communities. **Because over half of the people we serve live near or below the poverty level, we do not charge for our services.** Instead we rely on the generosity of our friends—individuals, organizations, congregations and business who wish to make a difference in the lives of their struggling neighbors. Our program matches caring volunteers of all ages with our older and disabled neighbors who struggle to remain in their own homes. In the past 22 years, we have been able to serve over 2,800 frail, isolated and physically challenged adults, many of whom have nowhere else to turn for the basic, but essential support they need.

Ask your congregation, office, school, service organization, friends and family to get involved. There are limitless opportunities when it comes to giving back and helping others. Here are a few examples to that may spark your own ideas:

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| * Baby Picture Contest | * Garage / Rummage Sale | * Neighborhood “Fun Fair” |
| * Bake Sale | * Guest Bartending | * Office Olympics |
| * Battle of the Bands | * Haunted House Admissions | * Painting Instruction Party |
| * Bingo Night | * Holiday Cookie Bake-Off | * Pancake Breakfast |
| * Book Sale | * Holiday Gift Wrap | * Penny Drive |
| * Bridge Party | * Home Demonstration Parties | * Recipe Book |
| * Cake / Cookie Walk | * Host a Dance | * Restaurant Benefit Nights |
| * Car Show | * Ice Cream Social | * Road Rally / Scavenger Hunt |
| * Car Wash | * Ink Cartridges—collect them and bring them to our office to add to our recycling program to help us earn more. | * Run, Walk, Cycle or Triathlon |
| * Casual Day or “Jeans Day” | * Lemonade / Hot Cocoa Stand | * Talent Show |
| * Craft Bazaar | * Motorcycle Charity Ride | * Toiletries or Food Collection |
| * Donations in Lieu of Gifts for Birthdays, Holidays, and Weddings | | * <i>Or any great idea you have that draws a crowd!</i> |

Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers would be grateful to have you choose our charity as a beneficiary of your event. **Feel free to contact our Fundraising Coordinator at 586-757-5551 or events@ivcinfo.org anytime to go over your ideas or ask for advice.** IVC could also help you with use of our logo, an IVC speaker if needed, social media and email blasts to help get the word out, and tax receipts. All contributions are tax-deductible as allowed by law. IVC is a 501(c) (3) tax-exempt charitable organization.

We look forward to hearing from you with your ideas and contributions! Please keep and post this flyer as you never know when an opportunity to help others may present itself in 2015. Thank you!

Planned Giving and Direct Memorial Gifts

IVC has been honored to receive donations through Direct Memorial Gifts when a supporter or loved one of a supporter has passed away. Many people often choose to name charities in the planned giving portion of their will or estate plan. Please contact IVC if you would like to contribute to our work and mission to serve others with a donation of this kind.