

Fundraising at North Euclid Church of God

We understand ministry costs money and our church budget can't always cover everything we believe God is leading our ministries to do. Sometimes fundraising is necessary to pay for our various ministry efforts. On the other hand "asking people for money beyond their regular offering in church," even when it's clearly being used for a kingdom purpose, can be perceived negatively, especially by guests. If we're not sensitive to this reality we can end up undermining our mission by turning people off.

There is also a third aspect to fundraising within the church that must be considered. We only have one "well," so to speak, to draw from. We ask the same people to tithe each week to support the work of the church, and then we turn around and ask them to give more to support our various efforts. Again, at some point, if we're not careful, this becomes burdensome and in some cases counterproductive.

Two kinds of fundraisers

1. Fundraisers done in the community. A car wash at a local business, selling candy, etc. to friends, neighbors and co-workers (like schools do), etc.

2. Fundraisers done on church property. Holding some kind of event (a rummage sale or a concert for example) at the church and inviting the community.

● **There is to be no fundraising in the narthex. Here's why: Setting up in our narthex and asking people to support us forces an uncomfortable and undesirable pressure on people (especially our guests) as they leave church.**

● **NOTE: If you do want to do a fundraiser on Sunday morning, you may set up in the multi-purpose room and we will be happy to invite the congregation to participate.**

HOW TO PLAN YOUR FUNDRAISER:

1. Complete the Fundraiser Schedule Request Form, below.
2. Turn it into the office—the earlier we receive your info the better we'll be able to help you promote it!

Name & Phone:

Fundraiser Description—location of fundraiser, who is working it & what are you doing?

Ministry Being Supported or Purpose:

Desired Start and Ending Dates: