

Ideas for Raising Scholarship Money

Sponsor a Student

Consider having an alumni or donor sponsor a student for part of the cost. The sponsor can also pray for the student while they are at camp. This is a great way to connect donors and alumni with what you are doing on campus.

Alumni

Simply ask IV alumni that you know to give to your scholarship fund. Be sure to tell them what the funds are for, thank them, and give them a report of how camp went when it is over.

Ask Donors

Similar to IV alumni, ask some of your donors to give a special gift toward your scholarship fund to help with camp scholarships. Be sure to tell them what the funds are for, thank them, and give them a report of how camp went when it is over.

Workday

A workday is when you recruit jobs from people at your church for students to do. This is a great way to raise funds because people are typically very generous, and it gives students a way to have ownership in the scholarship process. Plus, the people from your church will meet the students working at their house! The students can tell them all about InterVarsity. For instructions on how to run a workday, go to page 2.

How to Setup and Run a Workday

Step 1:

Pick a Saturday to do the job

Step 2:

Put an ad in the bulletin of a local church one month before the actual workday date. Here is an example of an ad:

InterVarsity Work Day

InterVarsity students are willing to do odd jobs on (Date) to raise scholarship funds for camps and conferences. There is no charge for the service, but a donation towards our scholarship fund is appreciated. Of course, all donations are tax-deductible. Call (Staffworker name) at XXX-XXXX for more info or to schedule a job.

Step 3:

Use a spreadsheet such as Excel to keep track of incoming jobs. Be sure to get everything you need from the caller the first time: Name, address, phone number, what the job is, how many students they want, length of time they want students to work.

Step 4:

Recruit students to participate in the workday.

Step 5:

As you get closer to the date, you will need to gauge if you need more students, or if you need to say no to jobs. This part is an art.

Step 6:

Call all of your jobs the day before the workday date to reconfirm.

Step 7:

On the actual workday, print out a copy of the ENTIRE workday list for each driver. Divide students up for jobs. When a group of students finishes a job, they call the organizer (you) and you tell them which job on the list they need to go to next.

Step 8:

The people who are hosting for the workday can give the check to the students, but made payable to IVCF. Please make sure that they do not write anything in the memo line. At the end of the day, the students bring the checks to the organizer (you). The folks who hosted students will receive a tax-deductible receipt.

Step 9:

Send the checks in to InterVarsity to your school's scholarship account.

Step 10:

Write a thank you note to each person (house) who hosted students for the workday.