



Fundraising Tips to help your club reach more kids!

Missions Month

Spend one month focused on an area of interest. Awana has chosen February as Missions Month but any month can be chosen.

- Dress in clothes from the country.
- Learn to make (or just eat) food from the country.
- Learn phrases in the language of the chosen country.
- Write and practice a drama about the missions story, and on the final night of the month, present the drama in church and receive a special Reach Kids offering.

Contest

Cubbies, Sparks, and T&T clubs will love to compete for who can raise the most money so more kids can be reached with the gospel. To get your clubbers excited about their meeting their GO Reach Kids goal, set a time limit and offer them an exciting party night when they reach the goal : pizza night, popcorn night, movie night...whatever your clubbers like best.

Thermometer of Success

Create a thermometer that tracks the money collected throughout the club year with the goal of the number of kids to be reached at the top [\$10.00 per child]. Your clubbers will love driving up the 'temperature' toward their goal. Be sure to use the GO Reach Kids paper dolls for the country/continent you have chosen.



Change Drive

Your clubbers can collect their nickels, dimes, pennies, and quarters throughout the week, then deposit them at church in a pickle jar decorated with the country/continent paper dolls, flag, map, etc. See Awana GO resources for ideas such as pictures and photos to use. You could also use the coin tubes that hold quarters – these are found in the Awana Ministry Catalog.

Support Your Local Pastor/Commander

Make the change drive a contest and let them clubbers choose who they will support. Label jars for collection with the names and photos of commanders, helpers, pastors, or Sunday School teachers. Promise a spectacular prize (or prank) for the winner such as Pastor Dan will shave his head or Commander Jamie will be dunked in the dunk tank. Be creative as you think of other fun ideas.

Test Drive

Talk with your local car dealerships to see if they would offer folks a chance to test drive a car and for every test drive taken, the dealership would donate "X" amount (\$20 is typical) toward your fundraising project. This is an easy fundraiser! Obviously the car dealers want folks to drive their cars in hopes they will make a sale. Since your

organization will be providing free advertising and hopefully getting more 'test drivers' to their dealership, a local car dealer may find this a win-win situation.

You may also involve the manufacturer. They may donate a fixed amount toward expenses involved in hosting the event, plus "X" amount for each test drive of a vehicle with a completed evaluation form.

Buckets for Donations

Why not get your community involved in Money for Missions. This fundraiser is perfect to collect the change given at countless stores in your town. Gather old coffee cans and other types of containers and then punch holes in the top. Print out a cover sheet with information about your Awana club and what you are collecting money for. Cover the cans with your cover sheet. Distribute them to local businesses willing to place them on their front counter. Keep the cans there for the duration of your fundraiser. Make sure you thank them afterwards.

Dining for Dollars

Talk with a local restaurant and see if they will donate a certain percentage of the restaurant sales on a given night for any tables that mention they are with your group (10-20% is typical). Then promote the fundraising event to your entire congregation, encouraging them to invite friends to participate so that you fill the restaurant during your designated day and time. Make sure everyone is mentioning that they are with your group so your group gets the credit.

Decoration and Design

Sell clubbers the right to decorate their commander or pastor. You can charge for Silly String®, stickers, makeup, temporary tattoos, glitter, erasable markers or whatever your commander or pastor is willing to put up with! Then allow each clubber to come forward and add his or her 'decoration' as others watch and cheer. Or you can let them all apply their decorations at once for a really exciting finish!

_____ -A-Thons!

Your clubbers can get sponsors for various marathon activities such as Verse-A-Thon. See Awana GO resources for details at www.awana.org/fundraising. Rock-A-thon with rocking chairs, Walk-A-Thon where each lap or mile, Bible-A-Thon where clubbers alternate reading the Bible aloud for 24 hours, and any other 'a-thons' you can think of are also great ways to get participation.

GO Reach Kids Weekend

Have your church set aside one weekend per month for a special offering or change rive specifically for Awana GO Reach Kids. The clubbers can prepare their families for the event and even make a small presentation in church each month. February is designated Awana Missions Month but use what works best for your church. Be sure to check out the resources at www.awana.org/go.

Wishing Well

Set up a nice display with a wishing well and plants in a high traffic area in your church (maybe in your foyer or close to the sanctuary entrance). Have an attractive sign that says something like "Coins tossed in the wishing well helps change the ending for children around the world." Decorate with the GO Reach Kids logo.

\$1 or \$5 Drive

Choose a day and have every clubber bring in \$1 and leader bring in \$5 to give to the Awana Go Reach Kids Fund. Parents and church members can also be involved. Bring the hope of the gospel of Jesus Christ to needy children overseas by giving just \$1 or \$5 per person.

Be creative! You and your clubbers can come up with exciting ideas of your own. As you do, please share them with us at Awana. GO REACH KIDS!!

Awana.org/fundraising

