



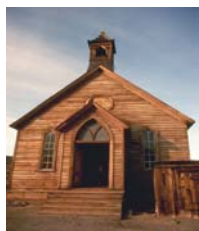
Ideas for Individual Student Fundraising

What is your student's gift or ability? What do they excel in? Public speaking? Art? Music? Baking? Computers? Sports? Gift wrapping? Whatever their gift or ability, they can use it to raise money for their mission trip. They just need to think about it and plan ahead. Here are some ways students have used their gifts and abilities in the past.

- Work at a BSM garage sale, get a percentage toward your trip.
- Bake Sales on campus.
- A student sold tamales.
- One student baked 60 cakes by herself and sold them at Wal-mart. Wal-mart will match gifts for fundraisers you do at their stores.
- A student made home cooked meals on Sunday afternoons for others. She sent out invitations on facebook with the menus and people would give her money to cook for them.
- Design a t-shirt and sell it.
- Students have involved a youth group to help them raise money by doing car washes, garage sales, etc.
- One student raised money by babysitting for people in her church.
- A mother knitted toboggans and sold them for her student.
- One Campus Missionary raised money with "Run, Bear, Run." Bear had people sponsor him to run and ended at UMHB's Homecoming where a hat was passed around for him. You would need permission for this.
- A student had a moving out of the dorm sale. He had students donate things they no longer needed or wanted as they moved out of the dorm and he had a Garage Sale from these items.
- Lemonade Stands: It sounds dorky, but get permission from your church to set up a stand after Sunday morning service or after Bible study. Or sell fresh baked cookies or brownies. Or do both, everyone needs a pick-me-up on Sunday mornings!
- A student had someone donate everything for a Shrimp Boil. They charged \$5 per person and all proceeds went towards the student's goal.
- One student was able to make candles. She personalized them to where she was going that summer and sold them. People not only had a candle, but a way to remember to pray for her.
- Students gave the money they received from selling their books back.
- One student was a licensed cosmetologist. She cut people's hair for her money to go.
- Are you part of any small groups? Ask a few to sponsor you with prayer and by bringing a dollar to each meeting. At the end of 6 weeks 5 groups of 5 equals \$180!!!
- Sonic will let you carhop for a night. From your work you keep all the tips. If you have enough friends and loved ones come it is worth it!
- Some students even sold blood.



Sacrificial Giving: Look at your life. What can you give up? A Starbucks trip a week, a movie night a month, a Nintendo Wii game, or a trip to the mall. What are you willing to sacrifice so that you or a friend can Go Now and fulfill the great commission?



Contact your local church: Churches play a major role in raising funds for many students. Not only do they give out of missions budgets, they also help do fundraisers. Some have held car washes, bake sales, and Bar-B-Qs, or have had students work in childcare or Disciple Now's. Many will let you have time to speak at a service or in a Sunday School or Bible Study class to let people know what you are doing and why you are doing it. This gives people a personal connection to the field where the student will be serving and makes them more willing to give.