

Deciding how you are going to raise food and/or funds is the fun part. Get creative and challenge your friends, family and coworkers to a friendly competition where everyone wins! Split the office (e.g. marketing vs. sales) or if you're not the type to battle it out, than consider a Sidewalk BBQ and invite other companies on the block. The possibilities are endless! We have put a list together of some of the best ideas we've seen our community come up with over the years!

**Tacky Tie/Sock/Shirt Tournament:** Set an entry fee for the tournament, then set up your brackets using working groups. Win in your group and move on! We are all for paying off the bribes if the bribes are donated!

**Canstruction®:** This one is for the designer types – plan a mini canstruction event where teams build structures out of non-perishable food donations. Visit our Canstruction page for inspiration.

**Afternoon Snack:** Beat those mid-afternoon blahs with offering sweet snacks in exchange for a donation of non-perishable food or funds. Who wouldn't want ice cream when it's warm or a slice of warm pie when it's cool?

**Donation Dress-Down Day:** Want to dress down – then donate! Set a dress down fee for casual dress, and a couple of extra bucks for jeans!

**Pie Face:** We all know how this works – donate to receive a pie then put it in someone's face (we think you should ask first!). We're certain there is someone you'd like to pie.

**Change for Change:** Encourage people to give up their change in order to see real change in our community – If we all did it – change would bring about change.

**Dime Drive:** We all leave change here and there; the car; bedside tables, kitchen drawers, couch cushions. Send people out to scavenge for dimes in their homes.

**Give 30:** Spend 30 days, or if you are not so courageous a day or two, reducing spending on yourself and instead spending it on others. Check out the [Give 30](#) movement!

**Afternoon Buyout:** We all wish we could buyout of our responsibilities every now and again. Let the office buy an early home time on a nice summer night.

**Lemonade Stand:** We're thinking of those cute kiddos sitting on the sidewalk – lemonade, baking, balloon animals – build it and they will come!

**Blank ‘A-thon’:** Thons have forever been a part of the fundraising landscape but there are so many options that it had to be included on this list. What will yours look like?

**Doughnut Day:** What we would pay to have someone drop a doughnut off at our desk in the morning. “I’m only eating this donut for charity’s sake.” It makes perfect sense.

**Colouring Contest:** Have a bunch of artsy-types around? Challenge them to a colour-off to name the king/queen of the group. Set a registration fee then donate it!

**Lunch Money:** Pack a humble lunch in solidarity with those who don’t have the choice and donate the money you saved to make their lunch a little better tomorrow.

**Give It Up Already:** Whatever it is – give it up already! I don’t know anyone who thinks kicking a bad habit while helping those in need is a bad idea.

**Video Game Tournament:** No one can tell you that you are wasting your time playing video games when the tournament proceeds are feeding hungry neighbours! Guilt-free gaming.

**Coin Chain:** Create a coin chain that stretches, literally, around the office. How far will your chain reach? Can we reach all the hungry families?

**THANK YOU! TOGETHER, WE  
FEED NEIGHBOURS.**