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# 10 Fundraising Ideas for your adoption

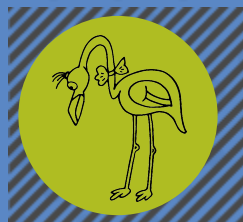
With a little creativity, these ideas can help you bring children into their forever family.

## Events



### Spaghetti Dinner

A spaghetti dinner, or a pancake breakfast. Pick the time and meal and offer to cook for everyone you know in return for a small donation.



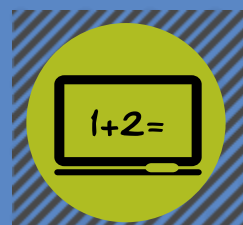
### Flock-a-Friend

Set up a prank-fundraiser where friends can pay to have your family put lawn flamingos in each other's yards.



### Bake Sale

You and your willing friends make cookies, cupcakes, and cake pops galore. All sales go to the adoption fund!



### Teach a Trade

Do you knit, build furniture, or always have friends asking how to make your signature meal? Offer to teach a class for adoption funds!



### Chili Cook-off

Organize a chili cook-off. Ask your friends/family to make their best chili then have guests donate to taste each dish and vote for the best one.

## Resources



### Brittany's Hope

The Seedling Fund provides grants to families adopting children with special needs. In return the family raises funds for another family's adoption.

[brittanyshope.org/seedling](http://brittanyshope.org/seedling)



### Equal Exchange

This great resource allows you to do a fundraiser with fair-trade, quality products, such as coffee.

[equalexchange.coop/programs/fundraising](http://equalexchange.coop/programs/fundraising)



### Employee Benefits

Ask your employer if you have adoption benefits. If not, the Dave Thomas Foundation provides adoption-friendly workplace kits.

[davethomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/adoption-friendly-workplace/](http://davethomasfoundation.org/what-we-do/adoption-friendly-workplace/)



### Agency Grants

Some agencies, including Children's Home/LSS offer Adoption Support Funds to offset the upfront costs of adoption.

[chlss.org/adoption/financing-adoption/](http://chlss.org/adoption/financing-adoption/)



### Restaurant Support

Ask your local restaurants if you can work as wait staff or clean-up crew for one evening and collect a percentage of the sales.