



## **20 Great Fundraising Ideas for the Summit!**

1. **Tell your story** - The more you talk about the Youth Venture Summit and why it's important to you, the more people will share in that excitement and want to sponsor your trip.
2. **Send a letter or email** asking for support to EVERYONE you know – Plus, ask them to forward the letter on to at least five other people.
3. Add an **Email Signature** – Add a line in your email signature about the YV Summit that says: "Help me make it to Youth Venture Summit! [www.gen.net/summit](http://www.gen.net/summit)"
4. Create a **Facebook Group** and/or **Event** and **Send Updates** on your progress.
5. **Ask BIG** - Ask at least one person for \$500 – The worse they can say is no, or maybe they'll donate \$250 instead, or even \$100, better yet they could say YES.
6. **Air Miles** – Instead of asking for money, ask for Air Miles to help pay for your flights to and from Edmonton.
7. Have "**Playathon**" Fundraising event or a **Game Night**.
8. Look for a **Corporate Sponsor**—they might be willing to sponsor you if you agree to promote their company at the YV Summit.
9. Is your birthday coming up soon? Create a **Facebook Birthday Gift Pledge** and ask your friends to sponsor your trip instead.
10. All that old stuff that has been hanging out underneath your bed, in the garage or is hidden in your closet... Gather it up and have a **Yard Sale**. Ask your friend to give you're their old things too.
11. Hold a **Theme Party** for your friends. Ask for a donation at the door.
12. Start your own **Extra Change Box**—keep a jar in your room and every day put your extra coins in it. Ask your family to do the same. It will add up.



13. Get your friends to donate a piece of art, get your favorite restaurant to donate a gift certificate, etc. Have a silent **Auction** for your community, friends and family.
14. Pet-Sit, Baby-Sit, House-Sit –Are your neighbors going away and they don't want to leave their dog, their child or their house unattended? **Offer Your Services** and charge them!
15. Have a favorite **Yoga Instructor**? –You've bent over backwards for them...now it's their turn to do the same for you!
16. The traditional **Bake Sale** is still one of the best ways to put your cooking skills at work, sell your creation and raise funds!
17. Who cares that you have no rhythm and can't carry a tune? Get your friends together for a fun **Karaoke Night** and have the announcer tell the crowd that you are singing for donations!
18. Take advantage of your next **Hair Cut** and ask your hairdresser or barber to donate \$2 of every haircut they complete over one weekend. Or, have them put a donation jar at their station with a small flyer.
19. Host a **Movie Screening** and have your friends and family make a donation to walk the red carpet.
20. Clean cars for a good cause by hosting a **Car Wash**. Make it environmentally friendly by using minimal water and eco-friendly soap.

Start Early! Start Now!—the earlier you begin fundraising the better off you'll be.

