

Various Fundraising Ideas

T-shirt fundraising sites

- www.teespring.com
- www.bonfirefunds.com
- www.customink.com
- www.teefund.com
- www.booster.com

Etsy store/Bazar

If you are crafty or you know how to sew, use your talents to raise money for your adoption. Participating in a bazar or other local craft sale is an easy way to raise money. You might even consider opening up an Etsy store to sell your crafts online year round.

Car Wash

Another idea to raise money is to host a car wash. Charge a flat fee for every car or ask for donations; this is a great event for all the members of your family to get involved in your adoption journey!

Puzzle fundraiser

- www.printerstudio.com (lowest price)
- www.upinpieces.com
- www.fluttershy.com

Donors “purchase” a puzzle piece for a set amount (\$1, \$5, etc.). You then write their name and/or message on the back of the pieces they have purchased. Once all the pieces are sold, the puzzle is assembled and framed between 2 pieces of glass so that both the puzzle picture and the names of all the donors can be viewed. This fundraiser not only helps you to bring your child home, but the end result also becomes a lovely keepsake for them to later see just how many people were praying and helping to get them home.

Crowd Sourcing

- www.gofundme.com

Direct Sales

- www.scarletthreads.org
- www.groundsforchange.com
- www.apparentproject.org

- www.mudlove.com
- www.owlsfororphans.com
- www.compelledesigns.com
- www.jubileesjewels.com
- www.piecesofthepromise.com

Freezer Meals/Frozen deserts

Everyone needs to eat so why not use this to your advantage and whip up some easy dinners like enchiladas or lasagna in mass quantity, then freeze them and sell them to your friends and family. You don't have to stop at meals, deserts such as pies, cookie dough, or other tasty treats would also make a great addition to this fundraiser!

Online Bake Sale

Another great and simple fundraiser is an online bake sale. This is much like an online auction. You list items you have made or plan to make and put a starting bid or a sale price on each goodie. Members of the group bid/purchase items and you detail the date/time for pick-up. This is also a great fundraiser that the whole family can get involved in. Have a baking party with friends right before or right after the auction; you could even make a girls night of it!

Teach A Trade

Do you know a specific trade that someone else might like to learn? Welding, woodworking, refinishing furniture, knitting, sewing, etc. Use what you know to help teach other's the tricks of the trade while raising money for your adoption!

Change Collection/Drive

A great way to raise a bit of extra cash for your adoption is through a change collection. Challenge your friends to save all the change they get over a period of time in a jar, say a month, and then have them donate it to your adoption. This one is great for the kids as they can be on the lookout for pennies in the parking lot! (Every penny on this journey definitely counts! Ask us sometime how God used a coin to help us witness to our family and friends during a fundraiser.)

Kettle Corn

A local family that owns a Kettle Corn business graciously does fundraisers for adoptive families, amongst other groups. This is a great way to serve with the kids and friends and family as well as interact with the public. Average funds raised in a weekend is \$300-500! For more info on this, please contact: <https://www.facebook.com/AtomicKettleKorn>

Employer Credit

While not every employer offers Adoption grants, a lot of places do so be sure to check with your HR department to see what they might offer!

Paypal Link On Your Blog/Website

Linking a button on your blog to your paypal account is a good way to offer friends, family, and other supporters the opportunity to give when they feel led. Don't have a blog or website? Check out blogspot.com and wix.com. These are both very user friendly sites that will have you up and running in minutes!

Babysitting

Everyone needs a night out and sometimes it is hard to find good childcare for our kiddos. Why not use this to your advantage and host a few babysitting nights. Allow friends to sign up on nights you are available and ask them to make a donation towards your adoption in return for your services.