

LIFE Fundraising Pathway

There are so, so many ways you can raise the funds for your LIFE Trip. In addition to some group projects we're doing in 2022, consider what you'll do on your own. Here's the quick summary based on all the suggestions that came in.

Phase 1: Support Letters

- You know this, but everyone was required to send out at least 7 support letters. Even if you're fully-funded, this is to gain prayer support for your trip and your journey to it, as well as financial support for you and others in the group who are not as easily able to fundraise. This is one way we go as one group versus just as individuals.
- You can send out a second batch of support letters, too. Put something in your own words similar to what you sent out the first time, and direct people to our link (myrc.link/lifesupport) to give digitally. Maybe turn this into a social media post, too?
- Holiday seasons and birthdays can be a great window to ask for support so if people choose to be generous as a part of gift-giving they can budget ahead.
- Think of everyone, including those in family circles, former school/sport circles, friends from the past, etc. Don't say someone's "no" when you haven't given them the chance to say "yes." 😊

Phase 2: Solo Projects

- Among all the amazing fundraising ideas that have been suggested, you may have a few you'd especially like to do on your own or with a few friends. It's up to you to do/own any of these, and there is no requirement for this.
- Let Anna Gerber (annag@myrc.church) know about your intentions so she can track any funding you turn in.
- Ideas:
 - Work: Yard/driveway/leaf/snow care, DoorDash, part-time job
 - Sales: Wreaths, cookies, chocolate (World's Finest, Paul Cherry), candy, restaurant/store coupon cards (Coborns, Papa Johns, Caseys), household (Cloud 9 fundraising), farmer's market, pizzas, popcorn
 - ShowWithScrip.com: Buy gift cards in advance for your purchases, and gain a percentage on every sale. Family/friends can also take part. Enrollment code: 4D77557932646
 - Concession Stands: Ask your school.

Phase 3: Group Projects

- Every person going to LIFE is to take part in at least two group fundraisers (including any ahead, or any you already did this past summer).
- Let Anna Gerber (annag@myrc.church) know about your intentions so we can track any funding you turn in.
- Events we are heading up:
 - November 22 + 29: Pizza Ranch, we bus tables and keep things stocked (8-10 students + 1-2 leaders a shift)
 - February: Parent's Night Out at both Campuses (parents drop their kids off, we make a huge investment into them for 3 hours)
 - March/April: Pizza Ranch (TBD)
 - May: 5K Run/Walk + Car wash

You're also welcome to create a fundraiser, or turn a personal idea into a fundraiser you invite others to join you in on. We will not be able to manage it on your behalf but are happy to empower you to do it well.

Remember, you can also simply ask people you know. For an easy link, send them to myrc.link/lifesupport.

\$400 of IDEAS: Ask parents/siblings for \$20 each (at least \$40?). Ask 4 neighbors for \$10 each (\$40). Work a job for 5 hours: \$10/hour (\$50). Give \$20 out of your own pocket. Ask 2 grandparents for \$20 (\$40). Ask 5 friends for \$10 (\$50). Sell something - or several things (\$30). Ask 5 people from church for \$10 (\$50). Ask 4 aunts, uncles, or cousins for \$10 each (\$40). Ask 2 teachers or coaches for \$20 each (\$40).

LIFE Week Plans

July 4: Pack tomorrow's lunch. Get some good sleep.

July 5: Head to LIFE!

- 5am: Meet at Riverside Church in Big Lake to check-in and board buses
 - IDEA: Carpool to Riverside?
- 6am: Head to MSP
- 7am: Arrive at MSP to check in, go through security, **eat the lunch you packed**, and take two separate Delta flights to Orlando
- Afternoon: Arrive at hotel, check in and reset.
- 5pm: Dinner at LIFE
- 6pm: First general session!!!

July 6-9

- LIFE Conference, local serving, seminars, group bonding and free time. Amazing stuff!

July 10: Fun and Travel day

- 915am: Load bags into buses and head to Disney Springs!
- Lunch at 2pm: Bus pickup to head to airport
- Group 1: Flies at 440pm, lands and eats dinner
- Group 2: Eats dinner, then flies at 635pm
- 930: Get bags and head back to Riverside
- 11pm: Arrival at Riverside

A little taste of some LIFE Seminars you can choose from:

- It's Okay To Not Be Okay: Mental Health and the Holy Spirit
- (im)Possible Forgiveness
- Noticing God in Science and Creation
- Identity, Porn and Sexual Integrity in a Digital World
- Apologetics: Truth vs Feelings
- Image: How to Reflect God's Image in a Digital World
- What is my gifting? What if it isn't like someone else's?
- Leading Others When You Don't Feel Like It
- Why Holiness?
- Battle Royale - OT vs NT God
- Discovering God's Will
- Healing From My Past
- Tired of Covid: How to Practically Find Hope After The Past Two Years
- Guy Talk / Girl Talk
- I Have A Friend Who Feels Sifted and the Suicidal
- How to Reveal Jesus to Skeptics
- Loneliness in the Gay/Celibate Community
- Practical Deep Stuff, From Thanos to Theos
- Social Justice Beyond Politics
- Seeing White – Living in a World with Racial Unrest
- Finances: Big Leaps and Baby Steps
- Having Fun and Being Creative with Jesus
- Connecting With God At Your School
- Dating and Friendship-ing God's Way
- Reconstructing Your Faith

And... like... so, so much more!