Fundraising Guide

Team Lemon

Running to Cure Childhood Cancer

2023
Dear Team Lemon Runners,

On behalf of Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF), we would like to formally express our appreciation and profound thanks for your support of the Foundation and our mission of changing the lives of children with cancer and their families. For every mile you run we become closer to ending childhood cancer.

Enclosed in this guide you will find useful fundraising information and tools. Please note the fundraising ideas we have put together are 100% optional.

We are excited to welcome you to our team and can’t wait to see you at the finish line!

With gratitude,

Allison Goldstein
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Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF) emerged from the front yard lemonade stand of 4-year-old Alexandra “Alex” Scott, who was fighting cancer and wanted to raise money to find cures for all children with cancer. Her spirit and determination inspired others to support her cause, and when she passed away at the age of 8, she had raised $1 million. Since then, the Foundation bearing her name has evolved into a national fundraising movement and is one of the leading funders of pediatric cancer research in the U.S. and Canada.
Your Impact

Where the money goes...

Your donations fund research that brings better treatments and cures to children with cancer.

ALSF also provides emotional, financial and logistical support to childhood cancer families that makes their challenges more manageable. Programs like SuperSibs and Travel For Care have an immediate impact on families dealing with a childhood cancer diagnosis.

Learn more about where the money goes by clicking here!

fun fact: $50 = 1 hour of research
Take a look at...

ALSF's National Impact for 2022

Supporters like you make it possible for us to continue Alex's dream of finding cures for all kids with cancer. With your support, we are able to provide for families facing a cancer diagnosis.

$26.8 M+ total raised to help kids with cancer

175 grants funded

350+ families assisted with travel costs through Travel For Care

1900+ SuperSibs supported
Making the Most of Your Fundraising Page

When you complete your Team Lemon application, you will receive your very own virtual headquarters: your fundraising page.

This page is a powerful tool for raising money and promoting your stand or event. You can use it to let everyone know your event details and track your progress toward your goal. Your fundraising page is also how you’ll accept online credit card donations. Your supporters can donate directly to your event via your page – just give them the link, and they can click “donate” right on your page.

Here are some tips to make the most of your fundraising page:

- Personalize your page with photos and inspiring messages, and honor a childhood cancer hero!

- Email or share your page on social media and ask for a donation. Make the amount attainable for your donors. For example, ask friends to donate $50, which pays for one hour of cancer research.

- Make your fundraiser more meaningful by sharing a childhood cancer hero story in your donation ask.

- Remind donors that every donation makes a difference and be sure to thank them for giving!
Your Fundraising Page

Here is a glance at a fundraising page. Each runner will have their own fundraising page for you to use to collect donations.

Your Event ID number is important when receiving check donations. If you receive any check donations, please include your number on the memo of the check so that ALSF can attribute those donations to your fundraising page.

Buttons to share your fundraising page on social media and in email.

Fundraising progress bar.
Your Fundraising Page

Take a look at the bottom of your fundraising page. This is a great way to interact with your donors through the "wall post." Your donations will also appear here.

Add photos here!
Tools

We have compiled downloadable resources for you to incorporate in your fundraising outreach.

You can download all of the resources by clicking here.

These tools will help others understand more about childhood cancer and the importance of what we do, together.

These tools include:

- Logos
- Brochures/Literature
- Social media outreach
- Directions
- Letters
Letter of Support

Reaching out to the community is a great way to assist with fundraising. Whether you are asking for monetary support or lemonade for your lemonade stand, your community is a valuable source of support!

March 15, 2022

To Whom It May Concern,

We are delighted that Lucy Lemonade has chosen to partner with Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation this year in the fight against childhood cancer. Lucy is holding a fundraising event on May 20, 2022 at 111 Lemonade Lane. Please consider supporting their efforts to raise much needed funds and awareness for innovative research projects working to develop better treatments, and ultimately, cures for all childhood cancers.

A little background on our Foundation if you haven’t heard of us – Alexandra “Alex” Scott founded Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation on what seemed to be a simple concept. In the year 2000, when Alex was just 4-years-old and battling neuroblastoma, she told her parents that she wanted to have a lemonade stand in her front yard. She surprised everyone when she announced her plan to donate the money from the stand to “her hospital” to help the doctors find a cure for all kids with cancer. She continued to hold yearly lemonade stands to benefit childhood cancer research with the help of people from all over the world. In August of 2004, Alex passed away at the age of 8, knowing that, with the help of others, she had raised more than $1 million to help find a cure for all kids with cancer.

Since Alex’s very first stand in 2000, more than $250 million has been raised for childhood cancer research! Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation has funded over 1000 research projects in nearly 150 leading pediatric cancer hospitals throughout the United States and Canada.

We are committed to ensuring Alex’s legacy continues through Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation and hope that you will support the efforts of Lucy. Please follow up with Allison at agoldstein@alexlemonade.org should you have additional questions.

Your support is most appreciated and will make a meaningful impact on the lives of all children with cancer!

Sincerely,

Allison Goldstein
Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation

Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, publicly supported organization. Tax ID # 56-2496146.

The official registration and financial information for Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll free, within Pennsylvania, (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.
Fundraising Ideas
Start where it all began...

Host a Lemonade Stand!

Choose your location, date, and time, and register your Alex’s Lemonade Stand event. You can choose to have an event kit mailed to you and you’ll get a personal event coach to help answer your questions.

Learn more by clicking here!

Register your stand by clicking here!

Stand Kit
Fundraising Ideas

Go social...

Hold a Social Media Fundraiser!

Share your fundraising page:

The easiest way to spread the word about your fundraiser is to share your fundraising page. You can find Facebook and Twitter icons right on your page – just click on the icon, include a quick note (we’ve given an example below) and encourage people to donate and/or join you!

Example:
Join me and @AlexsLemonade to help raise funds and awareness for #ChildhoodCancer! I’m running in the [insert name of marathon] to move one step closer to finding a cure for all children with cancer. Visit my page for more info: [include fundraising page link].
Fundraising Ideas

Run...

A Training Day Sponsorship!

Dedicating a training day to fundraising is a fun way to bring in funds!

How does this work?

- Send a call of action to your friends and family to get involved! Email, message on social media, text/phone call, etc...

- Example outreach message:
  - "Today I am running 10 miles to train for the [insert name of marathon]. I’m running the race as part of Alex’s Lemonade Stand Foundation’s Team Lemon. Would you donate $1 for every mile I run ($10) to my fundraising page in honor of kids battling pediatric cancer?” (Don't forget to include your page link!)
Fundraising Ideas

Fill the card...

Of a Virtual Instagram Bingo Board!

- Click here to save the bingo board to your phone or computer.
- Add a text link to your cash apps (like Venmo) or your ALSF fundraising page.
- Encourage your audience to make donations via your text link.
- As donations come in, update your board by tagging supporters on the lemon of their given amount!
Fundraising Ideas

Or Host Your Own...

- Auction
- Poker Tournament
- Bake Sale
- Yard Sale
- Movie Night

Unsure where to begin?
Let's brainstorm together!
Reach out to Allison
A.Goldstein@AlexsLemonade.org
Let's Start Planning!

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Thank You
for all you do to help kids with cancer!