

Frequently Asked Questions about supporting FPS with an event

Q. Who can run an event to benefit FPS? *Anyone! Any individual or group (employees of a corporation, school/university organization, religious group, etc.) can host an event as long as it is submitted to and approve by our Community Outreach Coordinator.*

Q. How do I get approval to host an event? *Once you have decided on what type of event you'd like to host and when you'd like to host it, the first step towards getting approval is to complete, sign and return our Statement of Understanding so we can jump in to help! Because state law mandates that all charitable special events be registered with the charity, this step is critical!*

Q. What kinds of events do people hold? *The only limitation is your own creativity! And since we can support you with some technology platforms for registration and connection, your creativity is the limit!*

Q. Is there a minimum donation required to host a fundraiser? *There is no minimum donation required to host a fundraiser.*

Q. How much logistical support will FPS offer for my fundraiser? *The amount of logistical support you can expect to receive from FPS will vary upon the type and timing of the event. As the FPS office is small, we don't have the resources to do much of the planning and outreach. We will, however, be able to provide you resources for registration and virtual technology, and while we can lend expertise, we can't be a leader on your committee.*

Q. I want to publicize this event through media outlets in my community. Is that okay? *All publicity materials (posters, invitations, email announcements, press releases, etc.) need to be approved by our Community Outreach Coordinator prior to print and distribution, primarily because the states require solicitation language to be included. This is so we can make sure that the terminology used to describe our mission and the solicitation language is accurate.*

Q. Can I solicit organizations, companies, stores, etc. for donations, auction items or sponsorship for my event? *We encourage you to reach out to your community for support. At times, we do have some overlap and we encourage you to talk to our Community Outreach Coordinator about potential sponsors should you need some local guidance. But yes, we encourage you to ask!*

Q. Where do our event proceeds go? *The proceeds from your event go directly towards our mission of providing respite to families in the cancer crisis through both our Travel Respite and Staycation Respite programs. As FPS is accredited by PANO with Standards of Excellence each year and thus, maintains complete transparency with financials by posting them on our website.*