

IDF Advocacy Academy session Fundraising for impact

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FUNDRAISING FOR YOUR ACTIVITIES

WELCOME FROM THE IDF ADVOCACY TEAM



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IDF ADVOCACY ACADEMY

- IDF online platform gathering all IDF advocacy content and resources.
- Capacity building sessions are uploaded to the <u>Advocacy Academy webpage</u>.
- Live sessions are exclusive for the IDF advocacy network:
 - IDF Members.
 - Blue Circle Voices (BCV).
 - Young Leaders in Diabetes (YLD).



HOUSEKEEPING RULES

- Add your country and role (YLD/BCV/IDF member) to your Zoom name.
- This session will be recorded.
- Activate Zoom-generated subtitles by clicking on the closed caption (cc) button at the bottom of your window. Please note these subtitles are not 100% accurate.
- Use the **chat function** to share your questions to speakers. We will take note of them and ask you to raise your hand during the Q&A to ask your question (if time allows).
- The recording, slides and feedback questionnaire will be sent to all registrants in a few days.
- Participants who attend this session live will receive an attendance certificate. Please check your spam folders if you have not received them by <u>November 17</u>.





PROJECT PLANNING &

FUNDRAISING





STEPS TO PLAN A PROJECT & FUNDRAISING

- Select a topic you like/are interested in.
- Set a goal and objectives → understand fundraising needs.
- Define your activities \rightarrow plan fundraising strategy.
- Prepare a timeline → plan when fundraising needs to take place.
- Assess the risks \rightarrow consider plan B if fundraising fails.
- Implementation.
- Monitoring and evaluating.

Original plan

Actual plan





MONEY HELPS, BUT...

- Some projects can be developed with little or no funds.
- Resources can come in different ways (donations of goods or spaces, volunteer time, etc).
- Your activities should be adapted to the budget and not the other away around.
- When planning: be ambitious, but realistic.
- Money attracts money.



IDEAS FOR LOW/NO BUDGET PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES

- Supporting already existing projects as volunteers.
- Educational and awareness online sessions.
- Educational and awareness gatherings in public spaces (parks, community centers).
- Social media campaigns (awareness, education, advocacy).
- Advocacy: meetings with policymakers/calls-toaction.



• And many more – be creative!



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FUNDRAISING STEPS





1. SET YOUR FUNDRAISING GOAL

- Be clear about how much you need to run the activities you want to implement.
- Create an expenses sheet to understand your projections – including invisible costs.
- Know these numbers by heart!
- Have your plan B in mind, in case you do not reach your original fundraising goal.



2. IDENTIFY POTENTIAL DONORS

- Make a list of potential donors.
- Funders come in all types! Annual funders, projectwise funders, beneficiary donors, etc.
- Don't get stuck on one funder.
- Go beyond pharma.
- Find companies whose leaders believe in good work (even if they don't understand it).



3. PREPARE YOUR PITCHING

- The way you pitch will make a difference!
- Keep your message CLEAR / SHORT / ENGAGING.
- Your body language matters a lot!
- Talk more stories and weave in the statistics.



4. SUSTAIN THE RELATION WITH FUNDERS

- Keep periodic communication with sponsors.
- Report on activities and advancements.
- Send a thank you letters.



5. ADAPT YOUR PLANS IF NEEDED

- If you do not manage to attain your fundraising goal, use your plan B.
- You would need to start with step 1, updating the expenses sheet and the fundraising needs.







FUNDRAISING TYPES





DIFFERENT WAYS TO RAISE FUNDS

- **Crowdfunding:** Raising many small amounts of money from a large number of people, typically online.
- **Donations:** Receiving an amount of money without having to offer anything in return.
- **Sponsorship:** Receiving an amount of money having to offer something in return.
- **Events:** Organize an event to generate revenue.
- **Product sales:** Sale a product to generate revenue.



DIFFERENT WAYS TO RAISE FUNDS

- Funding doesn't always have to be in cash (in-kind donations).
- Strike deals with vendors (venue, food, transport, media) and make them partners.
- Think of the WIN-WIN deal (what are they getting out of it).
- Give them the recognition (visibility).



DO'S AND DON'TS





"DO'S"

- 1. Have a Fundraising Strategy: target audience, methods, amount and timelines.
- 2. Be Transparent: report and update donors/sponsors.
- 3. Diversify Income Sources: various fundraising methods.
- 4. Build and Keep Relationships: ongoing communication with partners.
- 5. Compliance with Laws and Regulations: follow the laws and regulations.
- 6. Maintain an Online Presence: regularity is the key to success.
- 7. Involve the Community: PLWD and HCPs should be engaged as supporters.
- 8. Thank You Letters: personalized thank-you letters or emails to donors/sponsors.

"DON'TS"

- **1. High Administrative Costs:** Avoid using a significant portion of funding for administrative expenses.
- Pressure or Manipulation: Avoid using guilt tactics or emotional manipulation to attract funding.
- **3. Non-Disclosure of Information:** Avoid withholding important financial and operational information from donors/sponsors. Transparency builds trust.
- 4. Ignoring Donor Privacy: Respect donors'/sponsors privacy.
- **5. Be over-ambitious:** focus solely on acquiring new donors/sponsors while neglecting retention. Keeping existing ones engaged is cost-effective.
- 6. **Ignoring Feedback:** Listen to feedback and use it to improve your fundraising efforts.





GRANTS & OTHER OPPORTUNITIES





KEY SOURCES FOR FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- Grants and scholarships websites: <u>Opportunities for Youth, Youth Opportunities,</u> <u>One Young World Scholarships</u>, <u>The Netpreneur</u>.
- Civil society organisations' newsletters: World Diabetes Foundation, NCD Alliance, World Obesity Federation, World Heart Federation, World Stroke Organization, NCDI Poverty Network, NCD Child, ISPAD (International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes), Vital Strategies.



• **IDF by-weekly updates:** Published every two weeks by IDF.

BRAINSTORMING!

POTENTIAL FUNDERS FOR A PROJECT ABOUT DIABETES RESOURCES FOR SCHOOLS





Q&A AND DISCUSSION









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& THANKS





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- Send any questions you may have to <u>advocacy@idf.org</u>.



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THANK YOU!



