



Who Can You Ask?

If you're having a hard time coming up with a list of people to ask to support your project, here are some ideas to get you going. You may be surprised at how many people you know and how many of them will be willing to give money to a just cause.

★ **Family:** Parents, grandparents, kids, siblings, aunts, uncles, cousins, and in-laws.

★ **Friends:** Your friends, friends of your friends, and friends of your spouse or partner.

★ **Social acquaintances:** Old friends you see only on occasion. Friends from college or school. Your former professors or teachers. Friends from your old job. People from the hotline or community group where you used to volunteer.

★ **Neighbors:** Next door, upstairs, downstairs, down the hall, the whole building! People on the block whom you always run into when you go jogging or walk the dog, or people you see at the grocery store. Your co-op board. Your tenants association. Your landlord. Your tenants. Your superintendent. Your babysitter. Your childcare collective. Your carpool. The parents of your children's friends.

★ **People from your house of worship:** Your religious leader. Members of the congregation. The people you share holidays with.

★ **Colleagues:** People in your office. Your partners, your clients, your supervisor. Former partners, clients, supervisor. People who used to work in the office but recently left. Colleagues from community work. Union leaders, activists, your steward, your business agent, other union staff.

★ **Club members:** From your block association, political club, book club, food co-op, local peace or environmental group. The PTA. Your local school board, civic organization, community board.

★ **Leisure contacts:** Members of your bowling league, volleyball team, cooking group, pickup basketball crowd. The bridge club. Your poker buddies. Fellow students in night-class, in yoga class, at the gym. People from beach trips, camping trips. People you sing with in a choir or jam with or go caroling with. Your dance partner. People you walk with, garden with, vacation with.

★ **Professionals and service providers:** Your barber or hairstylist, lawyer, dentist, doctor, chiropractor, pharmacist, broker, butcher, dry cleaner, baker. Your repairman or handyman. Your housecleaner, lawn service, pool service, heating and cooling maintenance crew. Your mechanic.

★ **People on past lists:** The invitation list to your last party. Your holiday card list. The program from your last reunion. Your address books, at work and at home.