

## 12 Months of Fundraising



1. Have a 50/50 raffle at your next meeting. Sell raffle tickets - one half of the money goes to the winner, one half goes to Easter Seals.
2. Host a small wine tasting event. See if a local store will donate several bottles and charge \$10.00 per person to attend.
3. Have a salsa-making or a pie baking contest. Collect a \$10.00 entry fee and let your chapter judge the contest.
4. Apply for a \$1,000 community grant from your local Wal-Mart, Target or Sam's Club, for Walk With Me sponsorship.
5. Apply to your local Costco for a gift card, as an in-kind donation to Walk With Me.
6. Ask your chapter members to donate to Easter Seals and qualify for the Arizona Charitable tax credit (up to \$200 per individual or \$400 per couple). Checks would be payable and sent to Easter Seals Southwest Human Development or the Blake Foundation; the credit is claimed on your tax forms.
7. Bring a special item to the next chapter meeting and auction it off to the highest bidder.
8. Ask your chapter members to collect their spare change for a month; either take the money to Coinstar or roll coins at the meeting. MidFirst Bank will match your donation if you bring coins to Walk With Me.
9. Ask your local retailers to collect cash donations at their registers.
10. Reinforce meeting rules by imposing "fines" (donations to Easter Seals) for any of the following: missing meetings, arriving late, leaving early, having a cell phone ring during meeting.
11. Adopt a special needs family for the holidays – work with local Easter Seals chapters.
12. Recruit and register a team to walk in Walk With Me on May 2, 2009. (The website will be open for registration in December, 2008; check [www.walkwithme.org](http://www.walkwithme.org).) Ask your company (or your spouse's) for sponsorship, and fundraise online.

