

HERE'S AN EXAMPLE OF HOW YOU MIGHT HAVE A CONVERSATION TO ASK FOR DONATIONS.

STRIVE STUDENT: My student ministry is doing a community service project called STRIVE to raise the operating budget for our ministry and help more students experience the same kind of life change that I have. Would you like to sponsor me?

FRIEND: How does STRIVE work?

STUDENT: STRIVE stands for "Students Turning Responsibility into Valuable Experiences." Here's the basic information...[hand them a Pledge Card with the STRIVE info on it]. On Saturday, November 5, I'll be working with all my friends around our community at different jobsites for a full 8-hour workday. We get pledges from our family and friends for the work we do in the community. We clean up around our town, we receive support for our student ministry, and I get the satisfaction of giving my time and energy to the ministry that I love and the community that I call home! All pledges to our student ministry are tax-deductible donations.

FRIEND: Sounds great! How do I give?

STUDENT: You start by filling out this pledge card and you keep the tear-off portion for your records and tax purposes. The easiest way to give is online at centralonline.tv/STRIVE, or if you prefer I can collect your pledge right now. You can also write a check and mail it to us as well. Thank you so much for partnering with me in serving our community.



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STRIVE VALUES

- SERVICE
- FAITHFULNESS
- OWNERSHIP

HOW DO I ASK PEOPLE TO SUPPORT ME FOR STRIVE?

The best way to begin is with the “Commitment List” on the back of your STRIVE packet. Write out the names of the people in your life who you’d like to ask for help with this important project. Face-to-face meetings are the best, but phone calls, text messages, emails, and letters work, too.

HOW MUCH IS A TYPICAL STRIVE DONATION?

There is no such thing as “typical” when it comes to STRIVE! Students who are actively taking part in a church effort to clean up our community are far from typical! We encourage you to ask to be sponsored for each hour you serve. A typical pledge would be \$5/hour which would total \$40 for the entire 8 hour STRIVE workday. Alternatively, you may ask for a pledge of any other amount.

DO YOU HAVE A “GOAL” AMOUNT FOR EACH STUDENT TO RAISE?

Yes, we’re challenging each student to raise at least \$100 and each leader to raise at least \$300. Some students and leaders will far surpass these numbers.

IS STRIVE FUN? WHAT KINDS OF JOBS ARE WE GOING TO DO?

YES, we have FUN! At the same time, we are going to work hard because people are sponsoring us to work! STRIVE jobsites in the past have included landscaping at St. Jude’s Ranch, cleaning paths at Springs Preserve, and organizing at the Ronald McDonald House.

HOW ARE WE GOING TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY?

On Saturday, November 5, we will take hundreds of student volunteers to serve at various jobsites throughout the Vegas Valley. Together we will volunteer thousands of hours of service to help our community!

WHEN WILL I FIND OUT WHAT JOBSITE I’M GOING TO?

All students will receive a detailed description of their community service jobsites sometime after our STRIVE Leaders’ Meeting. If you have questions or concerns before then, feel free to contact your Fuse Group Leader or our staff at strive@centralonline.tv.

HOW WILL TRANSPORTATION WORK FOR ALL OF THE STRIVE EVENTS?

Parents will be the primary transportation to and from the STRIVE worksite and the STRIVE Bash. If rides are a concern of yours, please give us a call.

BY WHAT DATE WOULD I NEED TO HAVE MONEY SUBMITTED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR WINNING ANY INCENTIVES?

All funds must be turned in by November 20 to receive incentives.

I’M A PARENT. HOW CAN I HELP WITH STRIVE?

The most important thing you can do is encourage your student as they go through STRIVE! Help them get to church on the weekends. Also, pray that God blesses our efforts in this endeavor. If you’d like to volunteer at a work site or drive a group of students, you can contact us and we will get you plugged in.

WILL STUDENTS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK FOR STRIVE PLEDGES ON A WEEKEND AT CENTRAL?

Yes! On the weekend of October 1 & 2, we will announce that students are waiting outside in the lobby area, and Central attendees will be encouraged to make pledges that day.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

The proceeds from STRIVE fund Central’s Student Ministry operating budget, which consists of student events, resources, and helping at-risk youth and families in need.

WHAT DO I DO IF SOMEONE GIVES ME A CHECK OR CASH DONATION?

Put all cash and checks in the envelopes provided in your STRIVE Packet and turn them in at STRIVE CENTRAL. Please do not turn these envelopes in at the Family Ministry booth or in the general offering.

WHAT IF I HAVE A CONFLICT ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, THE STRIVE WORKDAY?

We want STRIVE to be a ministry-wide event where we work together! If you can only make it to part of the workday, come whenever you can. If you can’t come at all on the workday, talk this over with your leader and get creative!

STRIVE INCENTIVES

So many students will be giving their time, talents, and resources to the STRIVE effort, we thought it would be fun to set up some rewards for students and leaders who would like to try and earn them. Here is the STRIVE Incentive list:

- 1) Raise \$25 and get a STRIVE t-shirt!
- 2) Raise \$500 and go to Insomnia for FREE! (Jr. High)
- 3) Raise \$500 and get a Hydro Flask for FREE! (High School)
- 4) Raise \$1200 and go to Summer Camp for FREE!
- 5) The single student who raises the most money for STRIVE (at least \$1,200) will get the Top Earner Prize which includes: a STRIVE t-shirt, Insomnia or Hydro Flask, Summer Camp, and dinner and a show on the Las Vegas Strip with the leader of his or her choice!