



# HOUSE OF RUTH

MARYLAND

Want to volunteer on the weekend?

Want to get your group, church, friends, family, business, or neighborhood association involved?

Host a fundraiser to benefit the House Of Ruth Maryland. These activities are easy to plan and are excellent ways of socializing while raising money and awareness around the issue of domestic violence.

When victims show up at our door, they come with very little. We provide shelter, counseling, legal and other services that will ensure their continued survival. It's not a small undertaking, especially since police estimate that there are more than 200,000 incidents of domestic violence in Maryland each year. Your generosity makes our work possible, and in return we work very hard to ensure every dollar you give makes a real difference in the lives of battered women and their children.

Fundraising Ideas :

**Hold A Garage Sale/Yard Sale:** It's a great way to get rid of old clothes and household items while raising funds for victims of domestic violence.

**Host A House Party:** Plan and sell tickets to a fundraiser to benefit the House Of Ruth Maryland. Set a fundraising goal and invite people who have an interest in ending domestic violence and want to learn more about the House Of Ruth. Invite a member of our Speaker's Bureau for the opportunity to learn more about the issue. (Note: Speaker's Bureau requests are considered for audiences of at least 20 or more.)

**Hold A Bake Sale:** Show off your baking skills to benefit the House Of Ruth Maryland.

**Host A Board Game Tournament:** Teams will play against each other so encourage participants to create a team name and theme. Charge each team a \$10-\$25 entry fee and donate the money raised to help victims of domestic violence.

**Hold A Spaghetti Dinner:** Invite all your friends to a fundraising dinner (or Pancake Breakfast or Ice Cream Social). Charge a \$5 entry fee or encourage attendees to donate directly to the House Of Ruth Maryland.

**Host A Wine & Cheese Evening:** Charge an entry fee to benefit victims services or encourage donations on site. Invite a member of the House Of Ruth Maryland's Speaker's Bureau for the opportunity to learn more about the issue. (Note: Speaker's Bureau requests are considered for audiences of at least 20 or more.)

**Have A Photo Contest:** Encourage your co-workers, friends or group members to hold a photo contest. Place cans in front of each submission and have people vote by dropping coins or dollars into the appropriate cans.

**Wear Jeans Day:** For a \$1 donation to the House Of Ruth Maryland, let employees wear jeans or casual clothes for a day.

**Host A Movie Night:** Host a movie night at your house, church or center. Sell baked goods, snacks or popcorn to raise funds for victims of domestic violence.

### **Insert Your Own Creative Idea Here!**

You can also organize a competition among friends, group members, or co-workers to collect items from our Wish List. For a copy of our wish list, please visit our website at [www.hruth.org](http://www.hruth.org), click on "Give Help", scroll over to the panel on the left and click on "Wish List".

**Monetary contributions can be sent to  
House Of Ruth Maryland, Inc.  
Attn: Development  
2201 Argonne Drive  
Baltimore, MD 21218**

To get started, please fill out the attached form, email it to [knewton@hruthmd.org](mailto:knewton@hruthmd.org), fax it to 410-889-9347 Attn: Kayla Newton, or send it to the above address.



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Interest Form

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CONTACT NAME

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ORGANIZATION/COMPANY (IF APPLICABLE)

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ADDRESS (WHERE THANK YOU LETTER SHOULD BE SENT)

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CITY, ST, ZIP

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PHONE

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EMAIL ADDRESS

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EVENT DATE

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EVENT TIME

PLEASE PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR EVENT:

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- Yes, I would like a member of our Speaker's Bureau to speak during the event. (Please note that, while HRM does its best to accommodate request for events with 20+ attendees, we cannot guarantee availability.)  
Please give minimum 4 weeks notice if requesting a speaker.
- Yes, I would like HRM to send literature for distribution at the event.
- Yes, I am collecting items from our wish list and need directions to the drop off location. (Please note that HRM is unable to pick up donations).
- Yes, our group would like a photo opportunity when we drop off our donations.
- Please add me to the HRM mailing list.

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with the House Of Ruth Maryland. Please submit this form by email: [knewton@hruthmd.org](mailto:knewton@hruthmd.org); fax: 410-889-9347 Attn: Kayla Newton; or send it to the address below. A representative will contact you shortly.

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