



Getting Auction Items is Easy!

Getting silent auction items is much simpler than you might think. Most people and companies that you ask will say YES. They like being associated with a non-profit organization, and all donations are a tax write-off for them. It's a win-win situation.

To begin with, think of all the connections you already have. Do you have family or friends who work for or are affiliated with a company that you could approach for a silent auction item donation? Are you a regular at a particular restaurant? Think about other places you frequent regularly. Below is a list of the kinds of items that would do well at the auction.

Trips and Getaways

- Use of vacation home
- Bed & Breakfast
- Hotels and resorts
- Limousine service
- Airline tickets
- Hot air balloon ride
- Sailing or boat cruise

Sports and Sporting Events

- Pro game tickets
- Rounds of golf or tennis
- Pro instruction
- Riding lessons
- Skiing lessons
- Sports memorabilia
- Equipment and clothing

Gift Certificates

- Restaurants
- Books and CD's
- Clothing and accessories
- Beauty salon
- Car wash

Cultural Events

- Concert tickets
- Theater tickets
- Movie tickets
- Personal museum tour

Special Events

- Hosted dinner
- Catering
- Music for a party
- Facility rental

Electronics

- I-Pod
- Digital camera
- Laptop computer

Food and Drink

- Gourmet foods
- Cooking lessons

Arts and Crafts

- Paintings
- Drawings
- Prints
- Ceramics
- Fine jewelry
- Quilts and hangings
- Handmade clothing
- Art classes

House and Garden

- Antiques
- Oriental carpets
- Garden equipment
- Appliances
- Kitchen equipment

Professional Services

- Accountant
- Personal trainer
- Photographer
- Interior designer
- Landscape designer
- Computer consultant
- Lawyer (simple will or other service)
- Massage therapist
- Florist