



## **State Tournament Fundraising - Policy**

### **Adopted: 5/14/2011**

This policy has been established to set a guideline for State Tournament Fundraising. It is important to understand that the first step in this process is to obtain approval for team fundraising from the IRHA Board of Directors **before** any fundraising activities can proceed.

Below are the approved guidelines. Please be aware that attempting to find loop holes in this policy is a violation of this policy. It is imperative that communication is key in this process.

Also note that approval from the IRHA Board of Directors to do any fundraising is required in the IRHA By-Laws.

This policy is only written for those State Tournament Sites that fall outside of District 8. Those that fall within District 8 do not qualify for fundraising.

Fundraising for the State Tournament shall not be required of the team, individual players or parents and coaches that do not wish to participate. Although, they shall benefit from the activity.

IRHA will pay for the tournament fee but will not pay for gate fees. IRHA will not pay for lodging or travel for the teams.

Fundraising will be for travel expense only as established prior to the tournament. Excess funds generated are to be returned to IRHA.

Teams will establish two (2) treasurers that will account for all funds moving in and out of this activity.

Examples of fundraising are:

***Bottle Drive***-This is the most appropriate way of raising funds. It promotes team work and establishes rapport amongst the player, parents and team officials. It is suggested that the team publishes the date of this bottle drive with a good explanation of why the bottle drive is being held.

***Bagging Groceries***

***Pancake Breakfasts or Variations of***

***Bake Sale***

***Car Wash (weather permitting)***

***Corporate/Sponsor Donations***-IRHA has a non-soliciting policy. Although, unsolicited donations may be accepted.



***Parent/Grand Parent Place of Business-**There may be a conflict between this and corporate/sponsor donations. In the event that a parent or immediate family member works or is closely associated with a current corporate/team sponsor it must be done carefully. The association cannot prevent this from happening but care must be used by making sure that the parent/immediate family member discusses with the corporate/team sponsor this issue. If the corporate/team sponsor expresses any concern it is recommended not to proceed.*

Examples of expenses are:

***Parent Individual Fuel Expense***

***Team Bus***

***Bus Driver Expenses (if needed) and tip***

In any event, on expenses, each individual must benefit equivalently.

Once fundraising is complete and the books have been reconciled the team officials and the appointed treasurers must report back to the IRHA Board of Directors.