How To Host an E-Party on CanadaHelps!

Total Time: 5-10 minutes

Ingredients: You + Your Passion

Serves: Your Friends, Your Family, and Needy Students in Guatemala!

# Directions

## Create your Fundraising Page

1. [Click here to go to CanadaHelps](https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/canadian-friends-of-cooperative-for-education/).
2. Scroll down until you see the heading “Donate To This Charity Now.”
3. Under this heading, click the light gray “Fundraise” button.
4. Click the maroon “Fundraise for this Charity Now” button.
5. Sign in or create an account with CanadaHelps.

## Adjust the Settings and Content for Your Page

1. Set Canadian Friends of Cooperative for Education as your charity.
	1. Locate the search box under “Create a Fundraising Page.”
	2. Type “Canadian Friends of Cooperative for Education.”
	3. Click the maroon “Add Charity” button.
2. Set the cause you are fundraising for.
	1. Click the dark gray dropdown box that says “General.”
	2. Select the option: “Rise Youth Development Program (formerly named Scholarships & Youth Development).”
3. Set the type of your fundraiser (most likely “Personal Challenge” or “Other”).
4. Set the title of your fundraiser (for example, “Help Students Rise Out of Poverty!”).
5. Set your fundraising period (for example, today’s date through August 12).
6. Set your goal amount in $CAD. (Remember, $1,200 sponsors one student for one year.)
7. Enter the name of the page owner (your name).
8. If you would like to receive email notifications when someone donates to your fundraiser, check the box next to: “Send me an email each time someone makes a donation to my fundraiser.”
9. Enter your fundraising story
	1. Read the sample text on the next page and edit to make it your own!
	2. Copy and paste the text into the box labeled “Your Fundraising Story.”
10. Enter a brief summary of your fundraiser (for example, “Colin’s Fundraiser to Help Kids Break the Cycle of Poverty”).
11. Click the maroon “Create Fundraiser” button.
12. On the next screen (“Add Images & Videos”), click the dark gray “Add a Video” button.
	1. Enter this URL: <https://youtu.be/YNkyeYfF4Us>
	2. Enter the caption: “The Story of Wendy, A Student in the Rise Program”
	3. Click the maroon “Save Images & Videos” button

## Invite Friends and Family to Your E-Party!

1. On the next screen (“Congratulations. Your Fundraiser is ready!”), click the maroon hyperlink to go to your fundraising page.
2. Consider making the first donation to your fundraiser to let your friends know that the water is fine!
3. Copy the URL in the browser bar on your fundraising page and share with friends and family via email, Facebook, or whatever method you choose!

# Sample Text

In Guatemala, less than 1 in 10 poor, rural students graduates from high school. However, high school graduation is nearly essential to support a family above the poverty line. Cooperative for Education’s Rise Youth Development Program raises the graduation rate to 8 in 10, helping students break the cycle of poverty for good.

Take, for example, the story of Wendy in the video below. Wendy’s parents struggle to support her and her siblings because they were unable to complete school themselves. But thanks to the Rise Program, Wendy could have a completely different future.

[Write about your personal connection to the Rise Program! Why is this important to you?]

There are nearly 300 students just like Wendy who are waiting for our support to stay in school next year. Let’s help them rise out of poverty forever!