

2024 Auction Donation Ideas

What to donate to the “Virtual” Service Auction

Everyone has something of value to donate to the Auction. Just use your imagination and have some fun. Offer something alone or with someone else in the congregation. Auction items can be a great way to make connections with others in the congregation. Here’s a list of ideas that include items we have offered at our past service auctions or some that we found online.

- Dinner in your home:
 - Whatever you love to cook/eat; Italian dinner, Southern cuisine, Asian fare, Vegetarian/vegan meal, etc.
- “High” tea
- Backyard barbeque
- Soup, bread, and salad
- Dinner and book discussion or other conversation.
- Dinner and a movie
- Party in your home
- Game night! Are there particular games you love to play?
 - (Scrabble, Poker, Charades, Bunko etc). Offer with dessert or wine/cheese or a meal.
- Drum Circle
- Karaoke Night
- Murder mystery dinner party!
- Recreation or tours:
 - Explore New York City: Be inventive – there’s so much to do; visits to museums, dim sum in Chinatown, boat rides (old and new ferries). Plan walking tours of neighborhoods and Historic sites, and other outdoor trips
- Local trips to museums, public gardens, interesting cemeteries
- Private docent for museum visit.
- Kayak or canoe trip

- Hikes to near and far
- Meals to Order - (To be ordered when needed by bidder).
 - Is there a dish you love to cook? Offer it: In the past we've had: Spanakopita (Greek spinach pie, Coq au Vin, Pork Stew, Soups)
- Desserts to Order
 - You decide how many you'd like to make. (To be ordered when needed by bidder). (Examples: Chocolate decadence cake, Double chocolate orange tort, Flan, Dozen cupcakes, Fruit tarts)
- Workshops/Instructions
- How to make truffles, Baking stuffed breads, Tasty vegetarian dishes, Memoir writing workshop, Art workshops
- Miscellaneous items
- Unique artistic items such as: paintings, stained glass, photographs.
- Tickets to a show/play/sporting event.
- Personal services
 - 4 hours of computer or cell phone instruction.
 - Facebook or blogging instruction
 - Computer maintenance and consultation
 - 4 hours of landscape maintenance
 - 10 hours of house painting
 - Weekend of childcare
 - Dog or cat sitting or walking
 - Window washing
 - Odd jobs around the home
 - Massage session
 - Music lessons
- Donate **MONEY** instead of bidding on items
- Purchase a **GIFT CARD** from online or a local business