



We Treat Kids Better

## Event FAQs

**Q: I attended an event. Can I deduct the cost of my ticket?**

A: You may only deduct anything above the fair market value of your ticket. For example, if you paid \$50 to attend an event, and in return you received \$25 in fair market value goods (food, beverages, gift bag, etc.), then you may deduct the remaining balance. For more personalized information, we recommend contacting a certified tax professional or visit [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) for more information.

**Q: I donated an item to Children's Hospital Los Angeles. Is it tax-deductible?**

A: It is possible that items donated to Children's Hospital Los Angeles are tax-deductible. For more personalized information, we recommend contacting a certified tax professional or visit [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) for more information.

**Q: What are the steps to host an event to benefit the hospital?**

A: We are glad that you are interested in supporting Children's Hospital. Information on how to host an event is provided at [www.chla.org/host-fundraiser](http://www.chla.org/host-fundraiser).

**Q: I want to do an event for the hospital, what is the greatest need?**

A: The hospital's greatest needs are support for our Children's Fund which raises support for the hospital's annual operations.

**Q: What are the hospital policies regarding doing an event?**

A: Please see the hospital's guidelines regarding community fundraising events which are posted online at [www.chla.org/host-fundraiser](http://www.chla.org/host-fundraiser).

**Q: Can I advertise my event at the hospital?**

A: Advertising of events, beyond being placed on our online calendar, from our community partners is reviewed on a case by case basis. Please refer to our guidelines at [www.chla.org/host-fundraiser](http://www.chla.org/host-fundraiser) for more information.

**Q: Can I come sell things in the lobby and give a percentage of the proceeds back to the hospital?**

A: Unfortunately, Children's Hospital does not allow sales of this type on the hospital's premises.

**Q: Do you have any collateral materials I can hand out at my event?**

A: Based on availability, the hospital may be able to provide a small quantity of materials for you to distribute. Please contact the Special Events Department at 323.361.5972 to discuss your needs.



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**Q: Can I use the hospital's logo?**

A: The Children's Hospital Los Angeles logo may only be used by permission. If permission is granted, the logo may not be altered in any way. Please contact the Special Events Department at 323.361.5972 to discuss your needs.

**Q: Can I do a toy drive?**

A: The hospital's Department of Volunteer Resources welcomes donations of toys. Please review our information on Donating Toys to plan your drive or contact Volunteer Resources at 323.361.2371.

**Q: Can I come in and play music or entertain the children in some way?**

A: The hospital's Department of Volunteer Resources works with individuals who wish to use their musical or entertainment talents for the benefit of our patients. Please review our information on Becoming a Volunteer for more information or contact Volunteer Resources at 323.361.2371.

**Q: Can I volunteer at events?**

A: We are always interested in adding new volunteers to assist with our events slate. Please review our information on Volunteering for an Event for more information.

**Q: What are the events coming up that I can participate in?**

A: Please see our events calendar for a list of events.

**Q: I would like to donate my services to your events, how can I do that?**

A: The Special Events Department is frequently in need of services such as graphic design, printing, and photography, to name a few, for our events. To determine whether we can benefit from your services, please contact us at [specialevents@chla.usc.edu](mailto:specialevents@chla.usc.edu).

**Q: Can I have an event to raise money for a particular child?**

A: Each of our patients has significant needs. If you wish to donate money to a specific family or a specific child, you may do so privately (however, your gift will not be tax deductible). We welcome efforts to benefit services, programs, and care for all of our patients.

**Q: Can I use the hospital's tax ID for my fundraising event?**

A: You may use the hospital's tax ID if sponsors and donors are making donations directly to Children's Hospital Los Angeles.