

Fundraiser FAQs

My group is raising money for a large organization. To whom should we make the check payable?

Fundraiser checks must be made payable directly to the organization receiving the funds. We are unable to issue checks to an intermediary group or individual.

For example: If Main Street High School is raising money for the BJ's Restaurants Foundation, the check must be made out to BJ's Restaurants Foundation. However, the check can be mailed to Main Street High School, so the school can personally deliver the donation.

I am the leader of my organization. Can the fundraiser check be written out to my name? No. Fundraiser checks cannot be made out to an individual. However, to ensure your check is received and deposited, you may have the check mailed to your residence.

Can you include additional information in the check memo?

Yes, we can include a short note—such as your club's name—in the check summary section attached to the check. If you need to include more detailed information, the best solution is to have the check mailed to your residence so you can ensure it is deposited correctly.

What is a Tax ID?

A Tax Identification Number (TIN), also known as an Employer Identification Number (EIN), is a unique 9-digit number assigned by the IRS to identify a business or nonprofit organization. It's typically formatted like this: 12-3456789.

When filling out the Fundraiser Request Form, please enter only the numbers from your EIN – do not include any dashes.

For example: enter 123456789 instead of 12-3456789.

How long does it take for my fundraiser check to be mailed?

Please allow up to 4 weeks for the processing and delivery of your donation check.

Can I hold a fundraiser for a memorial, recovery fund or medical need?

Yes! You can host a fundraiser as long as the cause you're supporting has a dedicated bank account set up to receive the funds.

Please note:

- We are unable to issue checks to GoFundMe accounts.
- Checks must be made payable to the organization and cannot be addressed to an individual.



Is it possible to have food delivered for my fundraiser?

No. Since food deliveries are handled by third-party vendors, we are currently unable to apply your event's check totals toward delivery orders.

Can I order food online for pickup during my fundraiser?

Yes! When checking out online, enter your unique fundraiser code in the promo code field. Your fundraiser code is located below the barcode on your fundraiser flyer.

I need to reschedule my event. Who should I contact?

Please reach out to your local BJ's Restaurant directly for any scheduling changes or cancellations.

The date I want isn't available. Does that mean it's not an option?

BJ's hosts fundraisers Monday through Thursday, excluding holidays. Fundraiser dates can usually be booked up to two months in advance.

If the date you're interested in isn't yet available in the portal, please contact your local BJ's Restaurant or email us at marketingteam@bjsrestaurants.com.