

## HOW

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## WHERE...do I solicit items for the RIS Party in the Park auction?

As you leave your house every day to run errands, dine out or enjoy a spa visit, you can be soliciting a great item for the auction. Take along a Gift-in-Kind form and a RIS brochure and just ASK!

Start by asking for the manager. If s(he) is not available ask for their business card. If you get a commitment for a donation but it will have to be picked up later, set a date to do so before you leave. Make sure you leave the Gift-in-Kind form and your name and phone number. Make sure they understand that their product or service will be marketed to over 1000 event guests and all donors are listed in the event program; it's advertising for them!

Writing a letter is another option if you feel more comfortable but remember an "in person" request often will deliver the best results. If you frequently patronize a business, start there. Once you have developed some confidence- the city becomes your oyster. IF YOU DON'T ASK FOR IT....YOU WILL NOT GET IT!

Items should be delivered to the RIS Fridley Office and Gift-in-Kind forms are available to print at [www.reininsarcoma.org/silent-auction](http://www.reininsarcoma.org/silent-auction)

### IDEAS:

- bake cookies each month for a year
- 5 hours of landscape design/gardening/yard clean up
- 5 hours of fix up from a handyman
- paint 1,2,3 rooms in your house
- room makeover
- golf, tennis lessons
- day of sailing, flying, horse back riding
- host a wine tasting
- babysitting
- dog walking
- behind the scenes tour of a local theater
- private curator museum tour
- kid's birthday party
- host a baby shower
- host a backyard bbq
- create a gift basket with the help of Patina, The Bibelot Shop, Pier 1- visit the website for great basket ideas
- theater tickets
- sports tickets- private or box seats
- behind the sense experiences
- MN companies and locally made products

It's all about whom do you know, where those people work and what talents, skills and connections do these people have?

**July 1st** – all donations must be dropped off at the RIS Office - 7401 Central Ave NE, Fridley, MN 55432, or call (763) 205-1467

# YOUR SOCIAL NETWORK OF DONORS

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