20 Ideas for Board Members on How You Can Help "Friend Raise" and Fundraise

- 1. Make a significant or important gift from you to your organization
- 2. Serve on the Fundraising Committee
- 3. Assist in creating a fundraising plan and be available for quarterly reviews
- 4. Go on cultivation and solicitation calls with the ED or DD
- 5. Help close an ask with a follow up phone call
- 6. Make phone calls to thank donors for their gifts
- 7. Sign and write personal notes on thank you notes and appeal letters
- 8. Send informational packets to five people and ask them to make a gift
- 9. Provide the names of five individuals to add to the mail list
- 10. Provide an introduction to at least one major donor prospect
- 11. Host an event, lecture, tour, house party, etc.
- 12. Set up speaking engagements at church/synagogues, Rotary, or service clubs where the Executive Director can speak about the organization
- 13. Attend interviews and site visits with foundations and corporations to whom you are seeking gifts or sponsorships
- 14. Ask your employer to match your gifts
- 15. Ask your employer to be a sponsor of the nonprofit's signature event
- 16. Serve on the Thank-a-Thon committee
- 17. Coordinate and run a mini-campaign to raise gifts for a highly popular project
- 18. Bring guests to your fundraising and non-fundraising events
- 19. Ask your Facebook friends to join you in supporting the cause
- 20. Forward emails (such as an appeal, newsletter or event information) to your email list