Financing your IUHPFL Study Abroad Experience

Sponsorships

- Speak with relatives and family friends about sponsoring your IUHPFL experience
- Save birthday and holiday monetary gifts
- Open a savings account to collect funds
- Make a list of local community and business organizations
  - Schedule visits
  - Before students are accepted: Create and send out personalized IUHPFL letters (see sample letter)
  - After students are accepted: Create and send out personalized IUHPFL letters (see sample letter) After acceptance, sponsorship funds can be mailed directly to the IU Accounts Receivable Office in Indianapolis.
  - Contact your foreign language or other trusted teacher for a letter of recommendation to add to the sponsorship letter
  - Follow up with organizations within one to three weeks
- Create a "gift list" by itemizing the IUHPFL trip expenses and asking people to support one item
  - Example: Support Omaha Beach, Rhine tour, literature class, host family stay, etc.

Fundraising

School/team oriented fundraising ideas

- Bake sale
- Garage sale
- Car wash
- Auction
  - Ask organizations in your area (museums, theatres, sports teams, etc.) to sponsor your IUHPFL experience
  - Ask for donations of tickets, entrance fees, memorabilia, etc.
  - Offer yourselves as workers during the auction (for yard work, house painting, cleaning)
- Raffle
- Spaghetti dinner
- Silent auction
- Pancake breakfast
- Game tournament - (board games or other)
- Rubber duck race
Fundraising Ideas

Individual student/family fundraising ideas
- Garage sale
- Book-A-Thon - collect pledges for reading a number of pages - requires parent or teacher to sign-off
- Collect printer cartridges, cell phones, scrap metal and exchange for dollars

Part-time Work
- Babysitting
- Dog sitting
- Lawn mowing
- Snow and leaf removal
- Shopping service - offer to run errands or buy and deliver groceries
- Part-time work at local business
- Yard work
- Cleaning

Financial Aid
- Fill out FAFSA application
- Mail/E-mail final report sheet with Expected Family Contribution (EFC) to IUHPFL
- Wait for e-mail notification about financial aid award - From 2009-2012, 52-58 percent of students who applied received aid, ranging from $600-$1,200

Grants

Germany
- Six $1,000 scholarships awarded by IUB Germanic Studies Department, funded by the Max Kade Foundation
  - Winners of these scholarships will be chosen by the Germanic Studies Dept from the Krefeld applicant pool, no application necessary

France
- Students from North Central High School are eligible for the John Busch scholarship

Allen County Students
- Dave Hefner Scholarships

All Languages
- Research grant opportunities in your area