

PARTY & AUCTION

May 13, 2022

Auction Item Ideas and Suggestions

Travel

- Stays at Vacation Homes
- Bed and Breakfast Stay
- Car Rental for a Week
- 2-5 day hotel packages
- Airline tickets (can donate miles)
- Luggage
- Skiing or Hiking Trips

For the Home

- Artwork
- Services e.g. window washing, painting, landscaping, etc.
- Flowers
- Car Services
- Architectural Services
- Pet Services e.g. grooming, kennel, etc.
- Lawn Service
- Subscription Boxes

Fashion

- Gift Cards (\$50 min)
- Make-up application or hairstylist
- Jewelry and accessories

Electronics

- TV
- Tablets
- "Smart Home" products
- Digital Camera

Family

- Golf/Sports Camp
- Photography or Videography Services
- Admission to regional amusement parks, waterparks, aquariums, zoos, or science museum

Sports

- Signed Sports Memorabilia
- Golf Lessons with a Pro
- Sporting Equipment
- Fitness Bands (like a Garmin or Fitbit)
- Home Fitness Equipment such as an exercise bike, treadmill, or virtual fitness membership

Experiences

- Concert/event (tickets, memorabilia, parking, and/or meet + greet passes)
- Ultimate sports experience (tickets to a game, parking, tailgating items, and/or signed memorabilia, etc.)
- Cooking classes with a restaurant chef
- Opportunity to throw the first pitch at a baseball game
- Behind-the-scenes tour or tickets to a Philadelphia landmark/tourist location
- Beer or wine tasting with food paring

Themed Baskets

Baskets could include items centered around a theme such as "At-Home Movie Night," "Cooking for Two," "Self-Care," or "A Day at the Beach." Other ideas could include items for:

- Movie/Entertainment (watching, characters, etc.)
- Gardening
- Book Lovers
- Petcare
- Wine and/or Spirits

25th Annual

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Looking for a great group project? Want to get your members involved in a fun and creative effort for a worthy cause? Then put your heads, hands and hearts together and make a

GIFT BASKET FOR THE 2022 BETHESDA PROJECT PARTY & AUCTION

to benefit people experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia!

To take part in the Bethesda Project Auction Basket project, just follow these simple steps.



- Contact Emma Stern, Director of Development, at estern@bethesdaproject.org to let her know the theme of your gift basket (so no other team duplicates your basket). We've attached some ideas to help you get started!
- Brainstorm items to include in the basket. Items can be large and small, expensive and inexpensive, as long as they are new or unused.
- The more things in your basket and the greater the variety, the more people will want to bid on the basket. So let your creativity run wild!
- Start collecting! Friends, family, neighbors, coworkers, local merchants – there are plenty of sources for items for your basket.
- Set a reasonable deadline for collecting the items, so that you have ample time to collect plenty of items and package and decorate your basket.
- Prepare an itemized list of all the items in your finished basket.
- When your gift basket is ready to go, give us a call so to arrange a drop off date and time for your basket at our 1630 South Street office. We ask that you deliver baskets by **April 22, 2022**.

IDEAS TO GET YOU STARTED

Gardener's Basket (arrayed in an oversized terra cotta or plastic pot)

Gardening gloves - Trowel - Packets of seeds - Gardening books - Bird feeder and seeds
Gardening magazines - Small hand-sized rake - Spray bottle - Knee pads
Gift certificate to local garden center - Gardening gloves - Watering can - Etc.

Italian Basket

Packages of gourmet pasta - Sundried tomatoes - Pasta sauces - Balsamic vinegar
- Spices: garlic, oregano, basil, etc. - Cookbook - Magazines - Pasta tongs - Italian music CD
Apron with Italian or pasta design - Package of pizza shells - Olive oil - Pizza pan and cutter -
Colander for straining pasta - Etc.

Do-It-Yourself Basket (arrayed in a tool kit)

Wrench set - Screwdriver set - Assortment of nails - Assortment of screws - Hammer
- Pliers - Measuring tape - Small level - Tool apron - Flashlight -
Gift certificate for the local hardware store - Etc.

Auto Basket

Tire gauge - Can of oil - Chamois cloths - Car wash coupons - Squeegee for windows
- Snow and ice scraper - Mileage log and pen - Travel mug - Window cleaning cloths
Gift certificate to Pep Boys, Strauss Auto, Sears, etc. - Road maps - Etc.

Sundae Basket

Ice cream scoop - Plastic sundae dishes - Box of ice cream cones - Sprinkles
Jars of fudge, caramel, marshmallow and nuts - Maraschino cherries - Coupons for ice cream
Gift certificate to Friendly's, Ben and Jerry's, Cold Stone Creamery - Etc.

Idea: Include a big ticket kitchen item like an ice cream maker

Cookie or Baking Basket

Recipes - Cookbooks - Cookie cutters - Baking sheet - Spatula - Mixing spoons - Sifter
Measuring cups and spoons - Chocolate chips - Cooling rack - Bakery gift certificate
Potholders - Sack of flour - Baking soda - Baking powder
Decorating items - sprinkles, frosting tubes, food coloring, silver balls - Etc.

Kid's Beach Basket

Pail - Shovel - Sun screen - Sand molds - Beach ball - Sunglasses - Water shoes or flip-flops
Beach towel - Books - Kid-sized beach chair - Beach shade tent - Beach games - Etc.

Baby Basket

Hooded towel - Wash cloth - Tub toys - Baby shampoo - Baby powder - Baby soap
Baby lotion - Baby store gift certificate - Baby care books and magazines
Baby sink or tub mat - Baby monitor - Stuffed Animals - Baby Books - Etc.

Hiker-Camper Basket

Maps - Poncho - Compass - Binoculars - Trail mix - Adventure books and magazines
First aid kit - Bear bells and repellent - Bug repellent - Hiking socks - Camper cook set
Walking stick - Collapsible Canteen - Gift certificate to local outdoor store - Etc.

Crafts Basket

Glue gun and sticks - Paint brushes - Markers - Knitting Items and yarn - Craft books - Crayons -
Assorted papers - Stickers - Bottles of paint - Scissors - Glitter - Craft Store gift certificate - Etc.

Idea: Include a big ticket crafting item like a Cricut Machine and accessories

Road Trip Basket

Maps - Travel mug - First aid kit - Tire gauge - AAA gift certificate - Travel games
Seat covers - Apple gift card for music downloads - Air freshener - Gas station gift certificate
Fuzzy dice - Munchies - Bottled Water - Etc.

Tailgating Basket

Philly sports apparel - Small folding table - Camp chairs - Outdoor games
Grilling tools - Smoking chips for the grill - Meat Thermometer - BBQ sauces
Outdoor plates, napkins, and wet ones - Gift certificate to the local butcher - Etc.

Idea: Include a big ticket item like a travel propane grill

Pet Basket (dog or cat)

Food and water dishes - Pet care books - Leash - Catnip toys or rawhide bones
Dog biscuits or cat chews - Balls - Dog or cat toys - Dog or cat brush - Animal movie DVDs
Bags and cans of dog or cat food - Give certificate to pet store or groomer - Etc.

Puzzle Basket

Rubik's Cube - Crossword books - Jigsaw puzzles - Sudoku book - Pens and pencils
Three-minute egg timer - Word-search books - Crossword dictionary - Etc.

Kitchen Basket

Garlic press - Can opener - Jar opener - Strawberry huller - Handheld Grater
Zester - Measuring spoons and cups - Egg timer - Cookbook - Mixing spoons and spatulas
Potholders - Grater - Kitchen towels - Baking Tray - Casserole Dish - Etc.

Idea: Include a big ticket kitchen item like an air fryer, Ninja mixer, or Instant Pot

Pizza Kit

Pizza stone - Pizza cutter - Jars of sauce - Nice cheeses - Pepperoni stick - Italian Herbs
Packages of flour - Yeast packages - Olive oil - Mixing bowls - Cheese grater - Chef's knife
Cutting board - Gift certificate to Whole Foods or local grocery for veggies and toppings - Etc.

Date Night In

Bottle(s) of Wine - Board Games - Movies - Gift Certificate for a local restaurant or Grub Hub
Cookies - Cheeses - Chocolate - Candles - Wine Glasses - Picnic Blanket - Etc.

Coffee and/or Tea Lover Basket

Boxes of tea - Bags of coffees - Mugs - Coffee measure - Tea strainer - Cookies
Tea bag holder - Coffee or tea books - Stirrers - French press - Dry creamer powder
Sugar and sugar-free sweetener packets - Etc.

Idea: Include a big ticket kitchen item like a Keurig

Movie Lovers Basket

Popcorn - Candies - Sodas - Cleaner for DVD/Blue-Ray player - Movie DVDs
Soundtrack CDs - Book or Novel based on the movie - Funko Pops or other movie merchandise
Batteries for remote control - Gift coupons for local movie chain or movie downloads
Personal pillow for movie-watching comfort - Fleece throw for movie-watching comfort - Etc.

Idea: Include a big ticket item like a Fire Stick or Blue Ray Player

Chocolate Lovers Basket

Chocolate cookies - Chocolate bars - Chocolate syrup - Chocolate and fudge sauces
- Hot cocoa mix - Chocolate-covered coffee beans - Chocolate-covered marshmallows -
Chocolate-dipped spoons - Chocolate Recipes - Candy Making Kit
Gift certificate to local chocolate gourmet store - Etc.

Health Food Basket

Brown rice (in a bag tied with a ribbon) - Dried beans - Packs of grains like quinoa, spelt, or bulgur
Packs of alternative flours like almond - Healthy packed snacks All-natural candy bars - Spices -
All-natural skin and body products - Recipe books - Gift certificate to Whole Foods or other
retailer - Packs of teas - Etc.

**THANK
YOU**