



FUNDRAISING FOR THE FUTURE OF THE SHOOTING SPORTS

Thank you for your interest in volunteering for Friends of NRA, a fundraising program of the NRA Foundation, which in turn is a 501(c)3 charity of the National Rifle Association.

Friends of NRA events are fun-filled evenings of food, friendship and prizes. All net proceeds from Friends of NRA fundraising activities are distributed as products and grants to organizations that promote the shooting sports, with an emphasis on youth programs. In this way, we help ensure future support for the Second Amendment. In 2015, over \$200,000 was awarded here in Southern California for firearms education and safety, range development, and many other vital programs.

Friends of NRA fundraising activities are conducted by volunteer committees throughout the country. These events are successful in great part thanks to donations from local businesses and individual contributors to our live and silent auctions and raffles. Friends of NRA volunteers are invited to join based on their ability and connections to promote the event and raise money by selling tickets, getting donations, and assisting with word-of-mouth marketing prior to the event.

Please be aware this is a very different structure than what most people think of as "volunteerism," as most of the tasks needed to ensure a successful Friends of NRA fundraiser are conducted ahead of the event, not solely on the day of the event itself. Participation as a volunteer on the day of the event is offered only to those who join in the pre-event process. Committee members are also required to pay for their own event ticket. Each group typically meets 2-3 times in the months leading up to an event, with all other communications via e-mail.

Perhaps the best way to sum up why our volunteers feel it is important to be involved with the Friends of NRA program are these quotes from history:

"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same." --Ronald Reagan, 40th President of the United States

"The cost of freedom is always high, but Americans have always paid it. One path we shall never choose, and that is the path of surrender, or submission." --John F. Kennedy

"Freedom Is Not Free" --Colonel Walter Hitchcock, U.S. Air Force

If this is the type of volunteer opportunity that interests you, please let me know. Your participation will make you a champion of the Second Amendment!

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