Fundraising Ideas

**Chapter Fundraisers:**

1. **STEM Camp** – With the help of your chapter advisor, plan and host a STEM camp day, and teach classes to local elementary/middle schools with your chapter members. Sell concession snacks such as chips and candy. Consider charging a fee to attend the camp.

2. **Movie Night** – With the help of your chapter advisor, hold a movie night and sell concessions such as popcorn, candy, and soft drinks, where all money raised can be donated to the American Cancer Society. Perhaps show a STEM movie approved by your administrators, such as:
   - A Beautiful Mind (PG-13)
   - Apollo 13 (PG)
   - Gravity (PG-13)
   - Hidden Figures (PG)
   - Interstellar (PG-13)
   - Moneyball (PG-13)
   - October Sky (PG)
   - The Right Stuff (PG)
   - Wall-E (G)

3. **Partner with Local Businesses** – Work with your chapter advisor to partner with a local business to host a restaurant night with proceeds going to your chapter, or collaborate with multiple local businesses to sell discount cards.

4. **School Wide Tournaments** – With approval from your school administrators, plan and host a tournament open to your whole school. This tournament can revolve around sports, video game competitions, or even a talent show. Integrating a concession stand into this event is a great way to collect additional funds.

5. **Walking Marathon** – Work with your chapter advisor and city officials to host a walk to raise money by walking on a predetermined safe course. Consider selling concessions and refreshments along the path of the walking marathon.

**State Conference Fundraisers**

(All of these suggestions must be approved by your state and chapter advisor.)

1. **Printing/Charging Station** - Have a printing station at your state conferences. Charge a small fee for use or encourage donations.

2. **Gaming Tournaments** – With the help of your chapter advisor, choose a multiplayer game and set-up a gaming tournament. Consider selecting multiple games and having participants vote on which game they would like to be played in the tournament. Charge a small entrance fee to join the tournament and award a prize to the first place winner. You can also place collection containers around the tournament to collect additional funds.

3. **Breakfast/Buffet Table** - Set up a breakfast or snack table for members at your conference to enjoy! Serve food items and beverages such as pastries and juices, and raise funds by charging an entrance fee.

4. **Special Event** – Work with your state advisor to plan and host a special event, such as a dance or mixer, at your state conference to provide opportunities for your members to socialize and network with each other! Fundraise for your state delegation by charging a flat entry fee for this event.

5. **Carnival** – With the help of your state advisor, plan and host a carnival night and charge admission to attend. State officers could set up carnival games and inflatables for members to enjoy.