COMMUNITY SCARE DAYS

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Pumpkin Carving Contest. Plan a Halloween theme and hold a pumpkin carving contest. It would cost $5 or $10 to enter your pumpkin and $1 to vote. Have different categories so that you can have multiple winners. Families could carve the pumpkins at home and Mom or Dad can bring them in and enter them in the contest. Or departments could carve their own and enter them.

Fear Factor Event – Employees pay a fee to participate. Individual carefully chooses trials that the employees must overcome. For example, eating canned spinach or other unpopular foods. The winner receives a donated prize or gift certificate.

Chili Cook-off Contest. Employees cook their favorite recipe and enter it into the contest. Participants pay to sample all of the entries.

Kickoff: Harvest-themed luncheon. Show the video, hear a speaker and get the campaign details. Give everyone a brochure and a pledge card (or have e-Pledge cards sent during your kickoff).

Trick or Treat Raffle: Name entered into a raffle for “fantastic prizes” to be won at the wrap-up party. One entry for making a pledge, one entry for pledging within 24 hours of receiving your pledge card, and one entry for increasing your pledge.

Scary Tales Trivia Game: Daily game. Questions and answers are related to community problems and solutions. Top scorers are entered into a drawing for a prize at the wrap-up party.

Prizes in the Pumpkin Patch: People buy a pumpkin (orange balloon) that holds a small token or large prize inside.

Make Beggars’ Night Givers’ Night: Collect food and donate it to a food bank; collect old, gently used costumes and donate them to an agency that works with children.

Trunk or Treat: Set up trunks with candy and treats. Visit a United Way Partner Agency or invite children from a United Way Partner Agency to come to your workplace and “Trick or Treat” from trunk to trunk instead of from house to house.

Costume Contest: Have employees dress up for work in costume. People spend $1 to vote for their favorite. The winner is revealed and gets a special prize at the wrapup party.