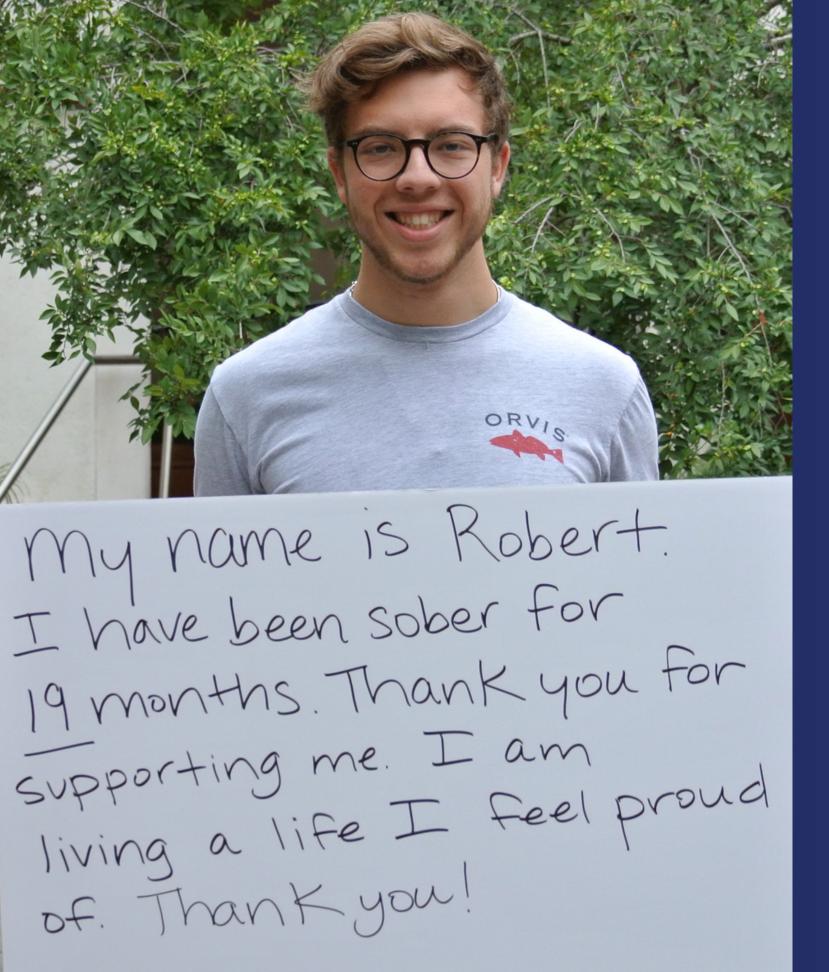


ARCHWAY ACADEMY

# STARTING A FUNDRAISER

RAISE MONEY, GIVE THE GIFT OF RECOVERY.



#### LET'S CHANGE LIVES THROUGH RECOVERY!

Thank you for your interest in raising money to support Archway Academy, where students receive the education, recovery support, and community they need to build a future free from substance use.

There are many ways to help! Whether you host a classroom bake sale, donate your birthday, or ask friends to sponsor you in a 5K run, every dollar you raise helps provide students with access to life-changing recovery and education.

Get creative and put your passion into action.

Here are tips and resources to help you reach your goal:

- Information about Archway Academy and teen recovery
- Steps for a successful fundraiser
- Fundraising ideas
- Photos, videos, graphics, and more
- Answers to frequently asked questions



# WHATIS ARCHWAY ACADEMY?

RECOVER, LEARN, THRIVE

Archway Academy is a sober high school in Houston, Texas, dedicated to helping teens in recovery continue their education while rebuilding their lives. We provide a safe, supportive environment where students can achieve academic success while staying committed to sobriety.

At Archway, we believe in hope—the hope that every student can heal, grow, and create a bright future. Through rigorous academics, daily recovery support, and a compassionate community, we empower students to overcome the challenges of addiction and rediscover their potential.

# YOU CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE

\$4.2M+

AWARDED
IN FINANCIAL
AID TO
FAMILIES

94%

STUDENTS
THAT
ATTEND
COLLEGE

2,100+

FAMILIES IMPACTED THROUGH ARCHWAY 78%

STUDENTS WHO MAINTAIN SOBRIETY

## FIVE STEPS FOR SUCCESS

1

# DECIDE WHAT AND HOW MUCH

- Get creative and come up with a fundraising idea that will work best for you or your group.
- Set a fundraising goal knowing every dollar matters. It costs \$40 a day to cover academic cost. How many lives will you impact?

2

# CREATE YOUR ONLINE FUNDRAISER

- It's easy to set-up a personal online fundraising page at archwayacademy.org.
- Customize it with a photo and share how you're raising money to support students in recovery.

3

# SPREAD THE WORD

- Send an email to
   friends and family and
   share your fundraiser
   on social media to
   invite others to donate.
   Here are a few tips for
   sharing.
- Frequency matters!
   Share often and across multiple platforms.

4

# SUBMIT YOUR DONATIONS

 If you collected cash or check donations in addition to online donations, be sure to drop them off in person or send to our main campus. 5

# SHARE YOUR SUCCESS

- Thank everyone that donated to your fundraiser.
- Share photos and the story of your fundraiser with us. We love the creative ways you raise money.

## FUNDRAISING IDEAS FOR EVERYONE

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

CELEBRATE YOUR
SPECIAL DAY BY
ASKING FOR
DONATIONS
INSTEAD OF GIFTS
TO SUPPORT TEENS
IN RECOVERY.

#### **EVENTS**

MAKE YOUR BIG DAY EVEN MORE MEANINGFUL BY INVITING GUESTS TO CONTRIBUTE TO ARCHWAY ACADEMY IN LIEU OF GIFTS.

#### **MILESTONES**

MARK A PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT, LIKE A SOBRIETY ANNIVERSARY OR GRADUATION, BY FUNDRAISING FOR ARCHWAY'S MISSION.

#### **EXCERSIZE**

TURN YOUR
WORKOUTS INTO A
CAUSE BY
RUNNING,
CYCLING, OR
DOING A FITNESS
CHALLENGE TO
RAISE FUNDS.

## FUNDRAISING IDEAS FOR BUSINESSES

#### COMPANY COOK OFF

CHALLENGE YOUR
CO-WORKERS TO A
CHILI, BBQ, OR
DESSERT COOKOFF AND ASK
TASTE TESTERS FOR
A DONATION TO
ARCHWAY.

#### DONATE A HABIT

ENCOURAGE YOUR
TEAM TO SKIP A
DAILY LUXURY, LIKE
COFFEE OR
TAKEOUT, AND
DONATE THE
AMOUNT THEY
WOULD HAVE
SPENT TO SUPPORT
STUDENT
RECOVERY.

#### COMPANY MATCH

ASK IF YOUR
COMPANY WILL
MATCH THE
AMOUNT RAISED,
DOUBLING YOUR
IMPACT FOR
STUDENTS AT
ARCHWAY.

# WALK FOR RECOVERY

AORGANIZE A
COMPANY WALK
OR RUN TO RAISE
AWARENESS ABOUT
THE CHALLENGES
TEENS FACE IN
ADDICTION AND
THE HOPE THAT
ARCHWAY
PROVIDES.

# TIPS FOR SHARING EMAIL AND TEXT

- Invite your friends and family to join your efforts by sending a heartfelt email asking for their support.
- Don't be afraid to follow up! People often want to donate but forget, so sending a reminder email can make a big difference.
- Share your story. Let others know why you're passionate about supporting Archway Academy and how it changes lives.
- Show the impact. Share a story of a student whose life has been transformed through Archway's recovery and education programs—your fundraiser helps make these success stories possible!

VIEW SAMPLE EMAIL & TEXT >>

## TIPS FOR SHARING SOCIAL MEDIA

- Share your fundraising link along with a powerful photo or graphic to spread the word.
- Post updates on your progress—let people know how close you are to your goal and encourage them to help you reach it.
- Promote your fundraising event—if you're hosting a car wash, bake sale, or sober challenge, create a
  Facebook or Instagram event and invite people to participate.
- Tag Archway Academy (@ArchwayAcademy) so we can celebrate your efforts and share your fundraiser with our community.
- Use personal stories—share why this cause matters to you and how Archway changes lives.
- Post multiple times—people may need to see your fundraiser more than once before they donate.
- Engage with donors—thank supporters publicly and encourage others to join in.
- Utilize different content formats—mix in videos, Instagram Reels, and live streams to make your posts more dynamic.

VIEW SAMPLE SOCIAL MEDIA POST >>

## RESOURCES

USE THESE DIGITIAL
RESOURCES TO AMPLIFY
YOUR IMPACT

#### **Brand Collateral**

Enhance your fundraiser with official Archway Academy-branded materials to help spread the word and make a bigger impact!

- Logos Download Archway's logo to use on flyers, social media posts, and event materials.
- Social Media Graphics Use pre-designed graphics and templates to make your posts stand out.
- Email & Letter Templates Customize ready-made messages to reach out to friends, family, and potential donors.

[Download Brand Collateral]

#### **Photos & Videos**

Bring Archway's mission to life by sharing powerful images and videos that highlight the impact of education and recovery.

- Photos Use these images to showcase the lives that have been transformed through Archway Academy. Please include proper attribution: "Photo credit to Archway Academy."
- Videos Create a deeper connection by sharing stories of students who have found hope and success in recovery. Please include proper attribution: "Video credit to Archway Academy."

[View & Share Photos/Videos]

