



Project 800 FAQ

What is Project 800?

A community of students (school, classroom, grade, sports team, clubs) who come together with one common goal of supporting New England cancer patients and families struggling with financial barriers during treatment. Through this project individual groups commit to raising a minimum of \$800 for the Joe Andruzzi Foundation (JAF). Project 800 is the perfect program for educators, coaches and group leaders to engage students of all ages in philanthropic activities focused on building character, integrity and responsibility – all while having fun!

What is the significance of 800?

The number 800 represents the maximum amount of direct financial assistance each patient recipient/family is eligible to receive through JAF. Project 800 provides students with a tangible, highly impactful way to directly affect a local cancer patient struggling with financial barriers during treatment.

A \$800.00 donation can help a patient/family pay for...

- One month of electric and cable bills
- Two months of car payment bills
- Six months of car insurance bills

What groups are eligible for the program?

Any group affiliated with a school (entire school, grade, sports team or club)

How do you raise money through Project 800?

You can host one event or initiative or host multiple events and initiatives. JAF leaves this up to you and your team! We have seen groups host one or multiple car washes, bake sales, hat days, t-shirt campaigns, canning campaigns, dress down days and competitions (chance to make a 1/2 court shot), however the ideas are unlimited!

Can our group raise more than \$800?

Of course! We are always thrilled when groups can support more than one patient and family. The funding truly makes a difference!!

Can a group raise less than \$800 for JAF?

JAF is always thankful for any money raised on our behalf – this particular program recognizes those groups that raise the minimum of \$800, the amount to pay for one grant for one family. Events raising less than \$800 can still be hosted, they just would not be considered a Project 800 event. Our team is always willing to explain this further and/or provide ideas and support to help you reach the \$800 milestone.

What kind of support can we expect from the Joe Andruzzi Foundation during the academic year?

- Dedicated support staff to help guide you in creating a successful campaign
- Access to:
 - Mission collateral
 - Flyer template
 - JAF logos
 - JAF branded items for give away
 - Branded fundraising platform if needed

How do I get started?

1. Get “buy in” from your school
 - a. Determine who will be participating in your fundraiser (entire school, grade, classroom, sports team, club)
 - b. Determine how long the event and/or initiative will last
 - c. Come up with a fundraising idea (if you need help, we can provide suggestions)
 - d. Make sure you have approval from those in charge at your school
2. Contact Gillian O’Brien JAF’s Community Engagement Manager at gillian@joeandruzzifoundation.org to alert JAF you will be participating and to receive fundraising materials
3. Begin promoting your event or initiative

How does JAF receive monies raised?

You can provide multiple checks throughout your initiative, one big check at the end, or cash. All checks must be made out to Joe Andruzzi Foundation. If you choose to set up a fundraising page via the JAF portal – those monies will automatically be sent to JAF

What does your organization get in return for being a part of Project 800?

- Certificate – Official Project 800 Organization/Member
- Opportunity for leaders (maximum 3) to attend Project 800 end of school year party (date TBD) to celebrate, mix and mingle with JAF Staff and other Project 800 members.
- Impact Report – your group will receive a Project 800 annual impact report highlighting the critical difference your efforts had on a local cancer patient and their family