



“California OneCare: Full Care, For All, For Less”

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ) ABOUT HOSTING A HOUSE PARTY

I’m ready to host a house party. Where do I start? You can start by registering to host a California OneCare house party at www.californiaonecare.org. Once you’ve registered, you can use our house party web site or download our House Party Guide and Party Materials.

Do house parties actually have to be held in houses? Absolutely not. House parties can be held at anywhere. For example, union halls, coffee houses, churches, libraries, salons, your job site or office, pizza parlor team rooms, and local restaurants are great.

How much should a house party raise? Our experience shows the average raised is \$750, but we know that some events will raise less and others much more. Usually a party will raise \$500 to \$1000. When you’re setting your goal, think about the guests you’ll be inviting, what they can contribute, and how many people you think will attend.

How much should I ask my guests to contribute? Again, this is a judgment call on your part, but we suggest \$25.00 as the minimum contribution. Some of your invitees may have the ability to contribute more; setting different levels of participation with different contribution amounts (\$100, \$50, \$25) is a good way to encourage higher contributions.

What will contributions to the California OneCare support? All contributions to the California OneCare Campaign will fund essential expenses for: materials (e.g., flyers, signs, banners, & brochures); a robust advocacy-oriented web site; media development (i.e., YouTube, DVDs, & an ad campaign); statewide organizing meetings and communications; and staff activities (i.e., organizing supporters, coordinating volunteers, managing the website, developing written materials, coordinating house parties and fund raising activities). Support for these vital efforts is nothing less than support for this massive grassroots campaign for single payer insurance in California—the first of its kind in the country!

How can I get a representative of the Campaign to speak at my house party? Depending on the location, date and time of your party, we can usually find a California OneCare representative or speaker to attend your party. The more lead time you give us, the sooner we will be able to provide you with the support you need. Contact houseparty@californiaonecare.org for more information.

If I spend money on my house party, will the Campaign reimburse me? Unfortunately, the campaign is not in a position to reimburse hosts for expenses.

How can I get handouts and other materials for my party? Supplemental materials, such as invitations, thank you letters, a description of the campaign, fact sheet, flyer, DVD Order Form, etc. are available on-line and can be downloaded for printing at www.californiaonecare.org/hparty/hpmaterials.htm.

What is the difference between a "Private Party" and a "Public Party"? If you register on line for a Private Party, your personal information is not publicly displayed and you’ll develop your own guest list. Most first-time hosts choose to do this. If you want to host a Public Party, you’ll develop your own guest list, but visitors to the California OneCare site will also be able to search by zip code and locate a party in their area—possibly yours—that they may want to attend. Visitors will see your name, address, e-mail address, and the party name, description and address, and they will be able to RSVP via the Internet.

How do I remove an unwanted guest from my party page? Contact houseparty@californiaonecare.org for more information.

Go to our website www.californiaonecare.org for more information about our statewide campaign for single payer universal healthcare.

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