

81 Great Donation Ideas

One of Kind Experiences

1. In-homechef dinner
2. Backstage Access/Tour for a concert, show, TV show or other event
3. A walk-on role in a movie or TV show
4. Breakfast, lunch or coffee with a celebrity, CEO, author, dignitary or elected official (depending on the official...).
5. Private lesson/session with an expert or celebrity
6. A one-day, one week or summer internship at your place of business - "Beauty Editor for a day"
7. Exclusive Viewing spots for NYC events (Thanksgiving Day Parade, New Year's Eve)
8. Tickets to a movie premiere or screening
9. Behind the scenes tours at NY landmarks, companies, museums, universities or any other spot where access is not granted to the general public
10. Hotel and vacation home stays – especially during school breaks – especially at family friendly locations like Disney or places within driving distance of NYC
11. Table reservation at Rao's Cuisine

Cuisine

12. Private wine or other beverage tasting
13. Cooking lesson in a home or at a restaurant or cooking school
14. Restaurant gift certificates – neighborhood restaurants you frequent to top Zagat rated
15. Fine wines
16. Lots of Pizzas!
17. Gourmet food baskets
18. Starbucks gift cards
19. A beverage sponsor who will supply alcohol for 600 guests the night of our auction
20. Dad's Night Out at a local bar or restaurant
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22. Hosting a themed party in your home for 10+ friends (i.e. Margarita Night, Monday Night Football, Summer Pool party, Mother/Daughter movie night, Casino Night)

Travel

23. Your apartment as a NY vacation home stay for an out of town family!
24. Rental car vouchers

25. Airline tickets
26. Airline Miles
27. Private Jet trip
28. Private helicopter trip or tour
29. Boat ride or Tour
30. Train Tickets
31. Limo rides
32. Casino experiences in Atlantic City or Vegas
33. A romantic weekend away
34. A family weekend away
35. Tourist Activities in NYC – museum passes, attractions, tours, Madame Tussaud's, Top of the Rock, Empire State Building, Skating at Rock Center, golf at Chelsea Piers, Grayline Bus Tour
36. Tourist Activities in out of town cities

Entertainment Industry, Sports

37. TV talk show or other TV tickets – Saturday Night Live, Today Show Concert Series, Letterman, Jon Stewart, Colbert, Conan, Leno (in NY or other cities!)
38. Tickets for sporting events (especially suites): Yankees, Giants, Mets, Jets, Rangers, Knicks, Nets, Super Bowl, World Series, Final Four, Subway Series, Tennis, Golf – out of town sports teams welcome, too (Boston, Philly, LA, San Fran, etc.)
39. Ball boy/girl at US Open
40. Throw a ball at Citi Field, Yankee Stadium or MCU Park.
41. Tickets for Concerts and Shows: Broadway, off-Broadway, Lincoln Center, Opera, Ballet, children's theater, Madison Square Garden, Radio City, Izod Center, Circus
42. Visit the set of a movie or show – especially Disney or Nickelodeon, Glee, Gossip Girl, etc.
43. Fashion Week Access
44. Teen fashion consultation and clothes party
45. Meeting with an agent (literary, casting, etc.)

Fitness/Beauty

46. Memberships to health clubs
47. Yoga Classes, Spin Classes
48. Personal training sessions
49. Rounds of Golf
50. Massages, facials, manicures, pedicures, day spa
51. Hair cut/color, Makeovers, Cosmetic consultation/lesson, Cosmetic Baskets of Goodies
52. Your 8th grader or high school student's babysitting/mother's helper services!

Kids

53. A week at a summer camp – chess, science, sleep away, day camp
54. A week at a school break camp
55. Birthday parties, spaces & entertainment
56. Art, music, karate, baseball, soccer, dodgeball, basketball gymnastics lessons & classes
57. Afterschool classes
58. Theme park tickets
59. Movie tickets
60. Toy store gift cards
61. Certificates to Sam Ash
62. American Girl experiences & gift certificates
63. Kids hair cuts
64. Bowling!

Design, Creative Services, Home

65. New Electronics- ipod, itouch, computer, Gaming systems, TV's
66. Free ad in a national or local publication
67. Website or graphic design services
68. A new smart phone
69. Certificates for home appliances
70. Family & child & pet photography and portrait services
71. Adult education classes
72. Magazine subscriptions
73. Closet makeovers
74. Apartment makeovers
75. Architect and Interior Design services
76. Contractor, electrician, plumber, carpentry, painter services

Luxury Items

77. High End Jewelry - think Mother's day
78. Fine Art
79. High end luxury items – pocketbooks, luggage, leather goods, watches
80. Luxury items for your pets – gift certificates, doggy day care
81. Tax or other personal financial services

- OR- Cash donation to help cover auction expenses!

What does NOT sell well?

Physician, dentistry, orthodontia and psychiatric services.

Gift certificates for only a percentage off an item or service or requirement to buy

to get a discount. Dry cleaning, toys, and games less than \$25, autographed merchandise

NOTE: PLEASE do not go out and purchase a gift card to be sold at the auction as it may sell for less than you paid! Please make a direct cash donation to help offset auction expenses instead.