

125 and Counting: Ideas for Low-Cost Programming

(Grouped by general category; some ideas might fit in multiple categories.)

Charity/Fund-raising

- Pie in the Face Night for Fun/Charity
- RA Auction

Crafts

- Decorate Fish Bowls
- Make Your Own T-shirt
- Jelly Jars
- Tye-dye Night
- Video You Make for Later in the Semester
- Design a T-shirt

Food and Fun

- Bakeoff (Best Campus Baker)
- A Dining Catering Night (Taco Bar, Baked Potato Bar, etc.)
- Cookout
- Gross Food Eating Contest
- Pancake/Belgian Waffle Breakfast
- Ice Cream Social (Combine with another event.)
- Whine & Cheese Party
- Cookie Bake
- Spaghetti Dinner
- Holiday Dinner
- S'mores Feast
- Pizza Dinner
- Coffee/Hot Chocolate Break
- Cheerios with Whip Cream in the Face
- Take the Pepsi Challenge (or any type of food or drink)
- Mountain Dew Drinking Contest
- Best Pizza in Town Fest (Annual Award Event)
- Sub Eating Contest
- Picnic at a Local Park or Open Area on Campus

Games

- Foosball Tournament
- Dodgeball Tournament
- Bocce Ball
- Bingo Night Hall
- Simon Says
- Big Video Game Tourney
- Campus-wide Card Tourney (WHIST, Hearts, Spades, etc.)
- Reverse Scavenger Hunt
- A Night of Wacky Games: Chubby Bunny, Lifesaver on Toothpick, The Mummy, etc.
- Games Night (Pictionary, Outburst, Trivial Pursuit, etc)
- Movie Trivia Night
- Name that Tune Contest
- '80s Name that Tune & Trivia Contest
- Room-to-Room Miniature Golf
- Challenge a Building at a Sports Event in the Rec Center
- Assassin Tournament
- Condom Olympics
- Roommate Game
- Dating Game
- Egg Hunt
- Egg Drop
- Win, Lose, or Draw
- Musical Chairs
- Red Light/Green Light, Wonder Ball, Hide 'n' Seek, etc.
- Hall Family Feud/Jeopardy
- Hollywood Squares on the Side of the Building
- Spelling Bee/Geography Bee

Health and Wellness

- Local Massage Therapy School Night
- Backrub Social
- Facial Night (Guys do love this.)

Miscellaneous

- Take a Hall/Group Photo
- Encourage New Murals

Novelty

- Fungus Growing Contest

Performance/Interactive

- Campus Idol (American Idol)
- Spoons
- Survivor Night with Competitions
- Junkpile Wars
- Tattoo Showoff
- Trading Spaces (in real life)
- Values Auction
- A '70 or '80s Party
- Coffee House
- Local Hypnotist
- Hall Scavenger Hunt
- Line Dancing Lessons in the Lounge
- Floor vs. Floor Twister Tourney (You can use JELL-O.)
- Tuck-ins
- Ice Breakers on Open Lawn
- Murder/Mystery Night
- Organize a \$25,000 Pyramid
- Talent Night
- Funniest Person on Campus Contest
- Capture the Flag (Map out the campus.)
- Do Your Own Talk Show on Hard-hitting Issues
- Dark Side of Oz
- Ghost Story Contest/Coffeehouse on Halloween or Friday the 13th
- Snow Sculpture Contest as part of a Winter Carnival
- RA Fashion Show
- Key Punch Challenge
- Best Cover-band Contest
- Create Your Own Reality Show & Have a Premiere
- Ballroom Dancing
- Campus Wide Scavenger Hunt
- Mr./Ms. "You Name It" Night

Recreation

- Apple Picking in the Fall
- Ultimate Frisbee Tournament
- Ping Pong/Pool Tournament
- Make Your Own Fan Club for an Athlete
- Sledding After the First Big Snowfall
- Challenge a Building/Group at a Sporting Event
- Touch Football
- Volleyball Tournament

Social

- Rock Painting Party
- Nail Painting Party
- Lounge/Door Decorating Contests for Any Special Occasion
- Secret Valentine, Snowflakes, etc.
- Pajama Party Hump Night
- Clothing Swap
- Pumpkin Carving
- Monday Night Football
- Crash an Opposite Sex Party (Monday Night Football, Dawson's Creek)
- Take a Hall/Group Photo
- Cool Talks:
 - Everything You Wanted to Know about the Opposite Sex
 - How to Please Your Partner
 - What Pisses You Off
 - Can Men and Women be Friends?
- Open House
- Letters from a Nut Party
- Make a Machine Social
- Head Viking Social
- Would You Rather? Night
- Themed TV Nights (Alias, The Apprentice)
- Get E-Mail Addresses & Start Conversation Line