

Fundraising 2026 and Beyond

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Hey folks, we are currently developing a fundraising plan for this year, and want to keep you all in the loop.

First off, we are not doing membership dues as we recognize not everyone is able to pay these right now, and we want to include as many folks as possible. Some events may require payment if there are admission costs or a venue booking, but this is for specific events and activities. People will always be informed ahead of time if this is the case, and that will be listed in the Meetup event too.

Instead, we are just asking folks to consider donating if they can, so we can continue growing this group. Right now, we have over 900 folks on Meetup and almost 80 folks in the Discord Server! We are very excited about how much we have grown this year. It is also awesome to see everything folks get through participation with HGSS.

From April 2025 to April 2026, we have done a ton:

15 virtual movie streams

12 horror book clubs

1 trip to the Seattle Gothic Market

11 movie meet and greets

2 horror trivia nights

1 horror writing group meeting

1 trip to All Freakin' Night

1 horror-themed board game extravaganza

1 awesome campaign to get a horror-themed T-shirt conceptualized and made by group members

This, along with multiple unofficial virtual streams and get-togethers for folks through the HGGS Meetup and Discord.

We are looking at raising \$327. Although the current rate is \$392.70 for the previous year (See the snippet below), the hope is to move toward a yearly subscription to reduce the cost (with taxes down to \$327). Any extra funds will be used to finance additional events and venues for the group. It is also possible to use these extra funds for things such as Discord Boosts, which increase the features available to the growing Discord Server community. This will most likely come about if there are future conversations about extra money raised.

You're currently on a Meetup Standard: 6 months subscription plan.

- Your last payment of \$196.35 was received on November 12, 2025.
- Your next payment of \$178.99 (plus tax) for a Meetup Standard: 6 months plan will be charged on May 12, 2026.

One of the other goals with this new fundraising campaign is to build a continuous update so that people can be aware of where we are at each month. We will be doing this by using a thermometer (similar to non-profit fundraising). This will be updated on this link every 1st or 2nd of the month.

Right now, we have raised \$327 so far, which you can see at the bottom of the document.

As for how to donate, we are moving away from some platforms to avoid the high processing fees (4-5%). We have decided to move forward with another approach. We are encouraging folks to use Venmo or Cashapp instead, as these do not have the processing fees of some other platforms. Sean will be handling a lot of the fundraising this round, so please message Sean if you would like his Cashapp, Paypal or Venmo information. You can also receive receipts when using these.

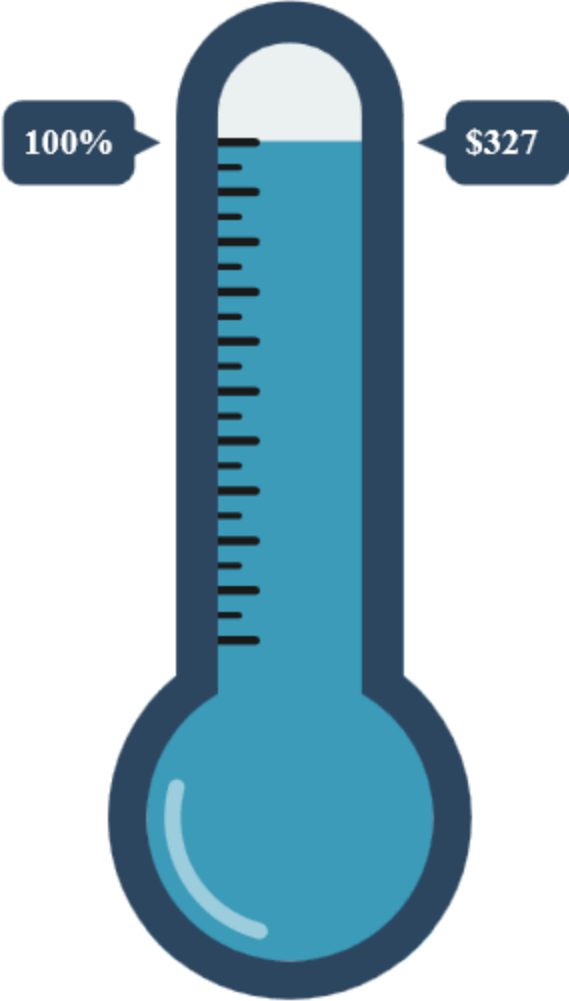
We recognize some may not have the capability to do these payment processes and thus will also accept cash or checks. Please let us know if you will be using cash or checks and want to give them ahead of an event. We can bring some type of receipt book so that you can have a hard copy of the donation you made. Also, an important note is that we are not a non-profit, so this donation will most definitely not be tax-deductible 😊 Just in case the hopes were high for that.

Thank you all for your participation in these efforts from the Horror Geeks South Sound Team. Hopefully, we can continue to grow and spread the love of many things strange, dark, and mysterious.

Please continue on to see how much has been raised:

As of May 17, 2026:

GOAL: \$327



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