Craft or Paint Nights are a great way to gather your friends and family, do something fun while raising funds, and in the end, have something to take home! The person putting together the event selects the project that they would like to do with her own group of friends or family. The space is often limited, depending on the venue. They provide all the materials needed and the host provides their own food and drink.

**Easy Steps to hosting a Craft/Paint Night out:**

- Start out by calling around to local craft or paint bars in your area and see if any of them are willing to donate the proceeds of an event to charity.

- Once you find the right place, work with them to set the date (and location if they don’t have a storefront).

- Most events like this will expect payment in person at the time of the event, so have each participant bring payment with them. It is standard to increase the amount by $10 or more for a donation to VHLA.

- In addition, also have a jar and/or credit card forms at the event for people to give additional donations. **VHLA can provide you with these forms.**

- To promote the event, create a Facebook event to share or an evite ([evite.com](http://evite.com)). Another easy and free way to gather sign-ups and promote is using Sign Up Genius ([signupgenius.com/](http://signupgenius.com/))

- The donation check will either be sent directly to the VHL Alliance or sometimes they will give you a check at the end of the evening.

As always, please email the VHL Alliance office with any questions! Office@vhl.org