A wide variety of restaurant chains as well as locally owned restaurants will work with you to put together a Dine2Donate event. A Dine2Donate event is where you get your friends, family members, colleagues, etc. to eat at certain restaurant at an agreed about time and date, and that restaurant gives a percentage (typically 10-15%) to your charity. It is often as easy as booking a date (call or visit their website), giving them the VHLA tax form, and getting people to attend!

**Easy Steps to hosting a Dine2Donate event:**

- Identify a restaurant in your area and visit the website or call the restaurant manager directly (see the next page for some ideas)
- Chose a date with the restaurant and provide them with the W9 Tax form for the VHL Alliance and possibly the VHLA logo for flyers (VHLA staff is happy to send you these two items)
- Obtain a flyer from the restaurant to promote the event (most restaurants provide this and some will even print copies for you)
- Post the flyer online and pass them out to your friends and family to spread the word and get a big crowd the day of your event
- If permitted, host a 50/50 drawing – all you need are tickets (dollar store) and a bucket to collect the tickets.
  - Here is how to host a 50/50 in a nutshell: Sell the tickets and collect the money (tickets are typically $1 or $5 each). Add up the amount you have collected and divide it in half. One half goes to the winner and the other half to your organization. Draw the ticket. Award the winner their 50%. It is not uncommon for the winner to donate all or a portion of the funds back to the organization as well!
- Attend your event and enjoy a delicious meal while raising funds for our cause

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National chain restaurants that are often happy to participate include:

- Applebee's
- Burger King
- California Pizza Kitchen
- Carl Jr's
- Chevy's Mexican Restaurants
- Chick-fil-A
- Chipotle
- Chili's
- Chuck E Cheese
- CiCi's Pizza
- Culvers
- Edible Arrangements
- Fazoli's
- Fresh Choice
- Friendly's
- Fuddruckers
- Jack-in-the-Box
- Jersey Mike's
- KFC
- La salsa Fresh Mexican Grill
- Loco's Deli
- Maggie Moo's
- Max & Erma's
- McAlister's Deli
- McDonalds
- MOD Pizza
- Mongolian BBQ
- Moe's Southwest Grill
- O'Charley's
- Outback Steakhouse
- Panera Bread
- Papa Murphy's
- Pizza Hut
- Pizzeria Uno
- Ponderosa
- Ruby Tuesday
- Red Robin
- Rio Bravo
- Sonic
- Sweet Tomatoes
- Subway
- Taco Cabana
- Tortuga's
- TRU
- Wendy's
- Zany Brainy
- Krispy Kreme Doughnuts

Applebee's will also do a pancake breakfast – they will allow you to come in on a Saturday morning and you will get the majority of the proceeds. This does take a few additional volunteers and a little more work on your part but can be well worth the effort!

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