

KIDS4KIDS FUNDRAISERS FOR HALF THE SKY

SAMPLE INVITATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES!

Dear Friends,

For my birthday, I would like to raise money for poor children in China. They don't have all the toys, clothes and other cool things that I have. Instead of a gift for me, can you please bring a donation made out to "Half the Sky"? They help children in Chinese orphanages. Thank you!

Love,

Becky

You are invited to JoAnna and Joy's Birthday Party!

Time: Noon to 4 PM on SUNDAY, MAY 29th

Place: ADDRESS

What to wear: We will be having a Moon Bounce and other inside and outside (weather permitting) activities so wear play clothes.

What's to eat: We will be providing hotdogs, salads, cake, ice cream and other snacks. Juice, mint tea, iced tea and water.

Our girls have the choice between a small party and presents, or a large party and donations to a charity.

We request that instead of a gift to please bring a donation for Half the Sky. The girls would love to get cards though! There will be a jar at the party where you can drop a check or envelope.

Please make your checks to: Half the Sky. We will take cash to the bank and send a check. This foundation improves the lives of children in Chinese orphanages. You can check out their website at: www.halfthesky.org.

Don't worry, the girl's Aunts, Uncles and Grandparents will make sure that there are gifts to open!

Thank you on behalf of Half the Sky!

Hi Friends and Family,

It's Eric writing. I wanted to ask for your help in something that my brother, Adam, and I are doing. We decided to take some of our money that we earned or received as gifts this year and donate it. I am sure that you all know by now that we are getting a new baby sister, Sonja. She is living in an orphanage in China right now waiting for us to come get her. She is living in Chongqing. Chongqing Children's Welfare Institute is lucky enough to be supported by an organization called Half the Sky. Here is what Half the Sky does:

Half the Sky was created by adoptive parents of orphaned Chinese children. Our purpose is to enrich the lives and enhance the prospects for the babies and children in China who still wait to be adopted, and for those who will spend their childhoods in orphanages. We establish early childhood education, personalized learning and infant nurture programs in Chinese welfare institutions to provide the children stimulation, individual attention, and an active learning environment.

You can read more about Half the Sky at www.halfthesky.org. Adam and I had the idea that in honor of our newest sister, we would like to sponsor a child for Half the Sky. Here is where your help comes in. We have \$50 between the two of us and we need \$300 to sponsor a child for one year. Whatever you could donate to help us reach our goal would be wonderful. Even if all you can afford is \$5 that would be great. Below is some information on sponsoring a child...

SPONSOR A CHILD

Unlike the early days of HTS when we had more willing child sponsors than children, we now have many children who are in urgent need of a sponsor. The cost is \$300 per year, which can, if you prefer, be paid with a \$25 per month pledge. Your gift will cover all of the costs for one year for your sponsored child to participate in either the Little Sisters Preschool Program or the Baby Sisters Infant Nurture Program. You will receive a certificate with the child's photo, name, date of birth and welfare institution.

You are welcome to write or send cards to your child. You may send small gifts—generally shared among all the children. Quarterly, or whenever we receive them, you will receive a report on your sponsored child's progress.

If you choose to help us, you can send a check to me, Eric Martell, at ADDRESS.

Thank you so much,

*Eric Martell
Adam Martell*