

Yard Sale Checklist

Two to six weeks before Your Save the Girls yard sale:

Decide the Location, Date and Time.

- o Location _____
- o Date _____
- o Time _____

Map your yard sale on the Save the Girls web page!

- o See the map at <http://lucyanmoll.com/savethegirls.htm>.
- o Get your sale listed by sending in your Name, Town, State/Province and dates of sale to <http://lucyanmoll.com/contact.htm>.

Community Rules

- o Check community rules to see if a license is required for your yard sale.
- o Confirm when and where you are allowed to post yard sale signs.

Gather Items

- o Ask all family members to go through closets and storage areas (basement, etc.) to collect unneeded items.
- o Bag or box similar items together.

Order Save the Girls t-shirts and prayer bracelets!

- o Wear them before and at your yard sale and share the message of freedom for sex slaves through Christ.
 - o Sell them at your yard sale to help other share the message!
- The t-shirts and prayer bracelets are available at <http://lucyanmoll.com/store.htm>.

Decide on a %

- o Even before you make the first dollar, decide what percent of the proceeds you will donate to a Christian organization that gets out the word on sex slavery and/or rescues and cares for the girls (and boys). Make this decision with your spouse if you are married. Ask God for direction.

Pray!

- o Ask God to magnify the message of freedom in Christ for sex slaves, the oppressed, the hurting and anyone you does not yet know Jesus as Savior and Lord.
- o Consider keeping a prayer journal and record how God is at work at your yard sale.
- o Share your yard sale God story! Tell us too. <http://lucyanmoll.com/contact.htm>.

One to Two Weeks Before Your Save the Girls Yard Sale:

Email Press Releases

- o Use the press release in the Save the Girls Yard Sale kit. Customize it with your dates and location. Send it to local newspapers and radio and TV stations. This will not only drive traffic to your sale but also inform the public about the crime of sex slavery and give them ways to help end it.

Blog It! Facebook It! Twitter It!

o Tell people all over the world why you are having your Save the Girls yard sales, what it means to you and the girls, and how they can do the same. Proclaim Christ!

Price Your Items

- o Price your items clearly with the pricing sticker on the top of the item and write in pen for easy reading. Buy pricing stickers at a local store or make your own using masking tape and a pen/marker.
- o Price items in dollar and quarter increments only. There's no sense dealing with nickels, dimes and pennies.
- o If multiple families are participating in a sale together and want to keep track of their own family's profits, use different color markers or stickers. Collect the pricing stickers at checkout and save them on a card stock board piece of paper. At the end of the sale you can add up the colored pricing stickers to calculate each family's sales.

Prepare Your Display

- o **Tables.** Borrow tables from friends, your church or local community center if you need extra tables. Mark your tables NOT FOR SALE to avoid people asking to buy them.
- o **Clothing Racks.** Clothing racks are useful in displaying nice clothing items. No racks? Make one by tying a rope between two supports.
- o **Tarps or Tents** Both of these items can come in handy in the case of inclement weather.

Make, Buy or Print Yard Sale Signs

- o Buy - Stores such as Wal-Mart, Home Depot and Lowes sell generic yard sale signs. Get a few. Or you can buy Save the Girls signs at <http://lucyannmoll.com/store.htm>.
- o Make - If you choose to make them yourself, be sure they are easy to read and have arrows that direct the shoppers to your sale.
- o Print - You can find printable signs online at the Save Our Girls Yard Sale Kit page. Laminate them if it may rain.

Keep Praying!

One Week Before Your Save the Girls Yard Sale:

Get Change

- o Ones, fives, tens, quarters – Many people bring \$20s so have lots of coins and small bills available to make change.
- o Suggest getting \$30 worth of change to start with; \$20 in dollars and \$10 in quarters

Think Safety

- o Remove dangerous items such as lawnmower, power tools, step ladder, etc., that are not in the sale. If you are selling such items, disengage them so they cannot be started and put up warning signs in a clearly visible spot; for example, "Do not step on ladder."
- o Make sure scissors and magic markers are out of the reach of children.
- o Don't let anyone into your home to use the phone or toilet. It is too hard to keep an eye on your house and the yard sale at the same time.

Set Up Your Display

- o **Clothing.** Only sell items in good condition. Hang clothes on hanging racks or display nicely on a display table. Sort by gender and size and price generally.
- o **Jewelry.** Put earrings on index cards & write the price on the card. Pegboards make an excellent display for necklaces. Place jewelry close to your check-out stand where you can easily see them.

- o **Shoes.** Tie or rubber band shoes together and sort by size.
- o **Linens.** Mark bedding sizes and tablecloth sizes on each linen.
- o **Books.** Suggest pricing hardback books at \$1.00, paperbacks \$0.50 and small children's books \$0.25 or bundle them together and make a bargain deal.
- o **Home Goods & Utensils.** Place all plastic food containers, water bottles, etc., in large cardboard boxes. Rubber band kitchen utensils together and sell as a set. Have an outlet available for shoppers to test that electrical items work properly.
- o **Furniture.** When pricing a large piece of furniture, tape a piece of paper to the furniture that has the price written clearly along with details about the piece of furniture.
- o **Toys.** Display stuffed animals in a box.
- o **Not for Sale.** Use sheets to cover items in your garage that is are not for sale. If you can't hide something behind the sheet or are using items such as fans, extension cords, tables, for the sale, clearly mark them NOT FOR SALE.

Checkout Stand

- o Set-up a card table and chair for a check-out stand.
- o Guard your money. The best options are wearing an apron with pockets or a fanny pack to hold the change.
- o Have a calculator, pen and paper handy for totaling item prices.
- o Have plastic bags, newspaper and tape available to bag items for shoppers, if needed.

Bonus

- o Sell water bottles or lemonade. This can be a fun option your kids can do during the sale. And it helps keep thirsty shoppers shopping!

Keep Praying!

A Day Before the Sale:

Last-Minute Stuff

- o Put up your yard sale signs.
- o Make sure you have everything ready. When you open, early-bird shoppers will be ready and waiting.
- o Power up your camera for photos during the sale. Line up a friend to snap the photos.
- o Tie balloons out front to people can spot your yard sale.

Sleep and Eat Well

Keep Praying

After the Sale:

Celebrate

- o It's over -- almost! Even though your yard sale is over, you can still get out the message and help save the girls!

Donate

- o Count your money and donate the percent you already decided to give to a Christian organization that fights sex slavery. The groups listed at <http://lucyanmoll.com/savethegirls.htm>.

o Give unsold items in good condition to a nonprofit organization like The Salvation Army, a homeless shelter or a church that has ministry to give items to people in need.\

Email post-sale press releases

o Be sure to send photos as attachments. While broadcast media will be less interested, print media still is.

Blog it! Facebook it! Tweet it! Include your photos.

Share your Yard Sale story with us.

o *Save the Girls: A ministry of message, rescue and care* wants to share your story at our site and over the Internet. Tell us EVERYTHING – good or bad (it poured, it hailed, it snowed) – and what you discovered about God and your faith. Send in photos as attachments. <http://lucyanmoll.com/contact.htm>.

And Keep Praying!