

Holding A Trade Turn Around House Party

What is a House Party?

A house party is a small event you organize in your house or other location of your choosing. The party is an effort to bring people in a neighborhood together to talk about Trade, and the issues that matter most in turning it around. ***The focal point of the house party will be a call to action, asking people to contact the White House and their representatives.***

Is this a fundraiser?

Yes, if you wish. The parties are also a way to raise funds for your state coalition through smaller dollar contributions. Typically a host asks supporters for a \$20-25 donation. We can help set up an online contribution page on which party attendees may make contributions. This will allow the party hosts to focus on organizing the party and not having to worry about collecting and sending in contributions.

What do I need in order to host a party?

You must have a DVD player, a copy of a movie, and perhaps some popcorn. The rest is up to you – where to hold the party, whom to invite, how much to suggest as a contribution for those attending, if/what to serve for food and beverages, etc.

Who should I invite?

A host may invite friends who have not been active before and would like to learn more about how they can get involved. They may also invite friends or family that may not be trade activists yet and want to learn more about the issue. Hosts are encouraged to invite other Coalition Committee members and active supporters in their area as well.

What will Citizens Trade Campaign provide?

We will provide you with an online toolkit for your house party. Just visit:

To see the toolkit, visit www.citizenstrade.org/turnaround.php

To order the movie, visit <http://wtoturnaround.org/>

For a list of other trade activist movies, visit <http://sierraclub.org/trade/movies/>