

# Water for South Sudan is Celebrating 20 Years!

Join in the fun by Hosting a Birthday Party for us!

People like you all around the world support us, and we're THRILLED that you want to help. Grab the balloons and some of your favorite people to celebrate our important milestone. This is a year long extravaganza, with parties all over the planet, so pick a day (maybe even YOUR birthday) and join us in the festivities from your favorite location. Here is everything you need to get started to plan the big day. Be sure to take pictures and share them/tag us on social media so we can see what you do!

To help with your planning, we created this document and tools that we hope will make it easy.

### Planning Checklist:

- Do you want to host the party by yourself or with a friend?
- □ With an adult, pick a date, time, and location. \_
- Create your invitation list. (friends, family, teammates, club members, neighbors, etc.)
- What do you want your birthday party theme to be? (water, giraffe, blue, etc?)
- □ What is a realistic fundraising goal?

### About a Month Before the Party:

- Consider asking a local grocery store, party supply store, deli, etc. to donate food, drinks, party supplies, gift cards. (sample letter included)
- Consider creating a Facebook fundraiser to help you reach your goal. <u>https://secure.waterforsouthsudan.org/site/TR?fr\_id=1070&pg=entry</u>

### 2-3 Weeks Before the Party:

- Send invitations to your guests. (Sample invitation included)
- Plan your menu. (food, drinks, birthday cake)
- Make a list of supplies to purchase. (napkins, plates, cups, candles, balloons, etc.)

### 1 Week Before the Party:

- Send reminders to guests especially those you haven't heard from.
- □ Make a list of everyone that's coming.
- Finalize your menu. (food, drinks, birthday cake)
- Pick up or purchase supplies. (napkins, plates, cups, candles, balloons, etc.)
- Put together goody bags/party favors (if desired)
- □ Plan games/activities
- Consider showing one of these videos to your guests: <u>https://youtu.be/i7gf2i1aQPI</u> or <u>https://youtu.be/Da61sKtKBx4</u>

### 1-2 Days Before the Party:

- Pick up food.
- Decorate.
- Find a box or basket for collecting donations.

## The Day Of and The Day After the Party:

- □ Take pictures and videos to share them with Water for South Sudan.
- HAVE FUN!!
- Use our <u>Donation Summary Form</u> to submit your donations.