

Sweet (Sexy) Charity: Do Good, Have Fun, Get Yout Flirt On!

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What's that, you say? Your dating life's a desert and you've decided to focus instead on other things, like helping out people less fortunate than you? Nice excuse, but it doesnt have to be one or the other. Volunteering has its own rewards, but there's no harm in simultaneously spicing up your social calendar. Luckily, you live in a city that boasts plenty of charity groups to choose from, offering the under-30 crowd a vast array of functions where good deeds meet good fun.



Inner-City Scholarship Fund Junior Committee (ICSF)

The Cause: The ICSF works in conjunction with the Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of New York to help children in some of New York City's poorest neighborhoods receive quality education through mentoring, tutoring and cultural trips.

The Events: A variety of fund-raising and social functions, from dodge ball games to beer pong (prices vary from \$15 to \$45).

The eats: Good, old-fashioned burgers

The Scene: "People sometime think it's only going to be a Catholic organization... but we have Protestants, Catholics, Jewish individuals on the committee," says Junior Committee social chair Lauren Crowley. The easygoing, low-pressure events are often held during the happy-hour zone, so people can "stop by for a half hour or an hour if they want," explains Jeff Friedman, a former ICSF Junior Committee executive co-chair.

A big push has been made to recruit younger members, and the prices help: This yeafs annual headlining soiree costs \$45 per ticket and included an open bar (with top-shelf liquor), a raffle, silent auction and dancing.

Info: innercitysf.org