Cash for Cans Fundraiser

Premise:

Gather aluminum cans, crush them, sell them to a recycling company and give the proceeds to Special Olympics Kansas. Interesting facts about recycling:

- Beverage containers represent less than 20% of the materials collected at curbside and they generate 70% of total scrap value.
- Americans earn about One-Billion Dollars a year recycling aluminum cans.
- Recycling diverted 1.7 billion pounds of waste from landfills.

Who or where to contact for cans?

- Your department or station
- Local fire houses
- Local golf courses
- Local retailers (gas stations, retail outlets, auto dealerships)

Have fun with the event! Create a challenge! Start a contest asking your friends, co-workers and others to bring in cans so you can crush cans for two or more solid hours.

Also, don’t forget about other pieces of scrap metals! Many recyclers take other types of scrap metal. Call your local recycler for a complete list of all the types of metal they take.