

Retention Ideas:

Here are 10 no cost, to low cost event ideas to include in your retention program.

1. Coordinate a camping event where you reserve an entire campground or a section of campground and invite all members including family and friends (optional). [LINK](#)
2. Plan on going to a NBA,NHL,MLB etc game and either rent a party bus, limo etc and carpool to your location, enjoy your event, and return to drop people off. It only takes 10 people to get group tickets prices in most cases. [LINK for BUS](#) [LINK FOR BLAZER TICKETS](#)
3. Find a local paintball arena or outdoor park and make a weekend event out of it. Go camping one night and play paintball the next day. Make team out of companies and go at it! [LINK](#)
4. Rent out a movie theater for an evening and have a catered event, once the event is done, everyone stays to watch a movie. Hint: Smaller private theaters usually offer better rates and service. [LINK](#)
5. In our area, the closest NFL team is the Seahawks. The Seahawks have a program where you can buy a ticket to the game that comes with an AMTRAK rail ticket as well. Get a group together to go for the whole event. [LINK](#)
6. Plan for a skiing weekend. Even for those that don't like skiing there are always sledding options, snowmobiling, or they can spend their day in the lodge. [LINK](#)
7. Day cruises are popular and cheaper than most expect. In the Portland area you can rent out the Sternwheeler Portland Spirit and have a dinner cruise that lasts several hours. [LINK](#)
8. Take your crews rafting! The Deschutes River is a great place to bring large groups together for a fun weekend. Split up into rafts, have lunch along the way, and then for those that like to camp, spend the night near the river. [LINK](#) [PDF DOWNLOAD](#)
9. Create a bowling league, NCAA tournament brackets, etc and have pseudo friendly competitions. Those that lose have to do the other companies rig checks for the month.
10. Attend FF events like stairclimbs, competitions, strongest FF competitions, firefighter chili competitions etc and attend as a group. Make a weekend out of it if enough people are interested.