Sit down meeting

- Follow the full outline. Time yourselves.
- Take time to build a relationship over the ask.
- Assign roles (introduce the group; tell a story; make the ask; take notes; time keeper, etc.). Make sure everyone knows the importance of listening more than talking.
- Opening (2-3 minutes)
- Begin with appreciation!
 - Introductions
- Get to the issue
 - Body (5-7 minutes)
- Ask / Respond / Follow up
 - The most important part!
- Closing (3-5 minutes)

Walk and talk meeting ("bird-dogging")

- Be courteous and be clear about your Ask
- Be brief less than one minute and make sure you hear from them.

Receptions or mingling

- Do not hog their time. Very briefly lay out the issue or concern.
- Best "ask" is usually "I would like to schedule a meeting."