

A to Z of Fundraising Ideas

There are many ways you can help us – here is an A-Z of possibilities.

You may have your own ideas, if you would like to organise a fundraising event and have some fun, please contact us

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- **Abseil** – Scale the dizzy heights of a local landmark or office block.
- **Afternoon Tea** – Put the kettle on and get baking. Invite your friends round to share sandwiches and cake and ask them to make a donation. Include a raffle for the chance to win a prize.
- **Auction of Services** – Auction services of people and businesses – anything from dog walking to singing lessons

B

- **Battle of the Bands** – Contest for unsigned bands, where the audience votes on the winner. Charge bands to enter, offer cash prizes, sell tickets, and set up a paying bar.
- **Bed Push** – The 'bed' can be anything from a hospital bed to a four-poster or even a three-piece suite.
- **Bingo** – Hold a one-off evening or regular sessions

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- **Coffee Morning** – It is open house for the morning. Make extra with raffles, bring and buy sales and cake stalls.
- **Cream Crackers** – Get sponsored to see how many cream crackers you can eat in a minute!
- **Collecting Tins** – Ask us for one of our tins for your local shop.

D

- **Dance** – Barn dances, tea dances, disco dances, salsa dances. Hold your own Strictly Come Dancing competition.
 - **Dog Walk** – Get some exercise and raise money at the same time. Offer your services as the neighbour dog walker and charge per dog per walk.
 - **Dress-up Day** – Dress up as a pirate, fairy or even your favourite superhero.
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- **Egg and Spoon Race** – Think back to your school sport's days. All you need is some spoons, some eggs, some willing volunteers, and it a bit of space in which to race. Charge participants to enter, with the winner of the race being awarded a small prize.
 - **Easter Egg** hunt – Maybe you belong to a preschool or other club? Why not set up an Easter egg hunt with fun clues for the kids? It could be that local businesses will donate the eggs too.
 - **Eyebrows** – Get sponsored to shave them off – they will grow back eventually
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- **Film Night** – Create your own cinema and hold a film night for family and friends. Sell popcorn and drinks and charge an entry fee. Theme the night on your favourite type of film!
 - **Five-a-Side Football** - Why not challenge your mates to a five-a-side tournament as part of a football fundraiser. Each team pays to play.
 - **Fun Run** - Why not dust off your running shoes and challenge yourself to a run? It could be a half marathon, full marathon, or why not sign up for events like 'Run or Dye' and experience the fun of a rainbow multi-coloured 5k?
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- **Garage Sale** – Sell off all your unwanted belongings and donate the proceedings to us.
 - **Golf Day** – Keen golfer? Why not organise a golf day or competition at your local club?
 - **Guess the ?????** – Competitors guess how many sweets in the jar, weight of a cake etc. The closest answer wins.
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- **Halloween Party** – Another excuse to dress up and party. Charge an entrance fee and raise money.
 - **Head Shave** – Extreme we know! Go bald for charity.
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- **Ironing** – Offer your ironing services – at a cost.
 - **Ice-cream Eating** – Either get sponsored to make lifelong friends with Ben and Jerry or buy huge tubs of ice cream and sell them by the scoop as cornets on a hot day.
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- **Jumble Sale** – Dig around under the bed and at the back of wardrobes for anything you can sell and organise a jumble sale. Get your friends to get in on the act selling their own unwanted items
 - **Jump** – Get sponsored to jump out of a plane
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- **Karaoke** – Arrange your own X Factor contest. All you need is a machine, a room, and a well-stocked bar.
 - **Keep Fit** – Get everybody together for a fitness session – get your gym involved
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- **Lucky Dip** – Ask people to donate little gifts and then wrap them up and charge people for a lucky dip present.
 - **Lunch Club** – Get your friends and colleagues together for lunch in exchange for a donation
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- **Marathons** – Get sponsored to run, walk, crawl, dance, swim the possibilities are endless.
 - **Money Line** – Start a line of coins it could be 1p, 5p, 10, £1 and see how far you can go.
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- **New Year Resolutions** – Get sponsored to stick to your new year's resolutions
 - **Name the Teddy** – The winner of the competition gets to keep the teddy.
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- **Open House** – Invite people to bring homemade crafts and food to sell at your house. Each stall holder can donate to your charity.
 - **Open Garden** – Open your garden to visitors. Sell tickets, refreshments, plants, and vegetables
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- **Pamper Night or Poker Night** – Either set up your house as a relaxation parlour or as a casino and invite friends over.
 - **Pancake Race** – Get flipping on Shrove Tuesday. Charge teams to enter and spectators to eat
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- **Quiz Night** – Organise a quiz night with friends where they all pay a fee, and you set the questions.
 - **Quiet Time** – Get all your friends to be sponsored to stay quiet for an hour or maybe a day.
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- **Race Night** – The race is run on a big screen after all bets have been taken. Some gaming regulations may apply
 - **Raffle** – Ask local firms to donate prizes and sell tickets.
 - **Rounders or Rugby** – Organise a game with your friends at work or club – pay to play.
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- **Swear Box** – Place a donation in every time you swear – you will be surprised at how much money you will raise
 - **Sit in a Bath** – Get sponsored to spend the day in a bath of beans/maggots/tea, etc
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- **Table Top Sale** – Indoor variation on the car boot sale. Charge for table hire and sell refreshments and have a raffle to raise even more money
 - **Toy Sale** – Sell all your unwanted toys and donate the proceeds to charity
 - **Tuck Shop** – Sell sweets, crisps, cake, drinks etc. at work or an event
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- **Underwear on the Outside** – Raise money by getting people to sponsor you to wear your underwear on the outside.
 - **Unwanted Gifts Donations** – Staff donate their unwanted gifts (this usually works best after Christmas) – they can then be either sold or raffled.
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- **Variety Show** – You could set up a “Britain’s got Talent” style show and get your friends to donate to enter.
 - **Vintage Day** – Choose an era and dress up, remember the music, cars, food and raise funds to join in.
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- **Wine Tasting Evening** – A Fun evening where guests will have tasting notes and have to guess which wine (labels will be obscured) they are tasting from the description
 - **Welly Throwing** – Fun for every fete and fair. Throwers compete to see whose welly goes furthest
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X

- **X-mas Cards and Decorations** – Make your own X-mas cards and decorations and then sell them at a Christmas craft fayre.
 - **X Marks the spot** - Organise a treasure hunt, could be in your car, maybe walking, or in your garden.
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- **Yellow Day** – People pay to wear everything yellow for the day.
 - **Yummy Day** – Who can bring along the yummiest treats – a donation per treat eaten.
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Z

- **Zany Hat Day** – Colleagues and friends pay a set fee to wear a really wacky hat to work.
 - **Zoo Day** – Get sponsored to wear an animal mask/costume for a day, you could get all your colleagues at work to join in.
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