



# Fundraising Ideas

## A

**Assault Course**, for those who fancy a challenge, you can sign up for many assault course challenges across the country including **Bog Commander**, raising funds in the process through sponsorship. **Abseil**, **Abstain** from alcohol, chocolate or your favourite vice. **Afternoon Tea**, **Auction of Promises** – where people offer goods or services to be auctioned such as cleaning your car, haircut, chauffer for the day. **Angling competition** – pay to enter, prize for the biggest fish or most unusual catch.

## B

**Bucket collection**, organise your own collection at a local supermarket or attraction. Many places offer dates throughout the year and can be arranged by a simple telephone call or popping into the shop. **Bake Off** cake competition, pay to enter then sell slices, **Bike** Challenge, you set the distance, **Book Sales** (World Book Day March), **Barn Dance**, **BBQ**. **Bath in Mud or Ice**. **Bring and Buy Sale**. **Beer Festival** (over 21's) **Balloon Race**, **Bed Push**, **Board Game Evening**. **Birthday Give**.

## C

**Caption Competition** - you need a group of at least 25 people. Get a photo of your club chairman, CEO or Headteacher doing something unusual and then get everyone to submit a caption for £1. The winner gets 50% of the proceeds. **Car Wash**, **Car Boot Sale**, **Coffee Morning**,

**Concerts. Calendar** – produce your own calendar, **Charity Ball, Classic Car Show,** or **Crossword Contest** - Compile a huge crossword, so people pay per clue. Each number hides a ticket for prize draw. **Clothes Swap** charge admission, get attendees to bring in 10 unwanted clothing items, allow them to take away up to 10 preloved items. **Cocktail Making Night, Cheese or Chocolate Tasting**

## D

**Dress Down Day** – an easy way to fundraise at work, and wear what you want for a donation. **Dances** - organise a disco, Ceilidh, ballroom, salsa or 70's night. You need a venue, band/ DJ and a drinks license (if you are selling alcohol.) **Dog Walking** charge your neighbours, **Darts Match,** charge to enter, offer chicken and chips and organise a raffle. **Duck Race,** buy plastic ducks, number them and race down a river (gain permission from the landowner).

## E

**Exhibition** – get your local art and craft groups, and school children to exhibit their work, charge entry and offer refreshments. **Easter Hunt** – put out clues for children to follow to find letters to make a word associated with Easter with a small prize at the end. **Eurovision Party.**

## F

**Fancy Dress Days** – wearing purple, silly hats, superhero costumes, non-uniform days, **Fashion Show** – get children to design and make an outfit, charge entry, buy clothes from a charity shop, get friends to model them and auction off the outfits or sell the items of clothing separately, offer refreshments. **Festivals, Fetes** and **Fun Days, Family Events, Fun Runs** either organise your own or book a place on an officially run event. **Football Tournament, 50 – 50 Raffle,** the winner wins half the total collected. **£5 into £50** - Give friends or volunteer fundraisers a sum of money (£5) and a time limit to increase this by devising a money-generating activity. Ideas include: planting vegetable seeds and selling produce; baking and selling cakes, award prizes for the most ingenious idea.

## G

**Grow a crazy beard/moustache**, **Guess the.....weight of**, **name of**, **number of**.....this could be number of sweets, buttons or beads in a jar, number of balloons in a car, weight of a cake, name of a teddy. **Garden Party** – open your garden to your community, have stalls, and games, offer refreshments and sell plants. **Golf Open Days** - get a golf club to sponsor the event for you, and invite club members and local businesspeople for the tournament. Organise a raffle and auction in the evening as well. **Greek night** - lay on Greek food, wine and dancing in your local village hall. **Guy Fawkes Party** – if you have a large garden organise a firework display, charge entry, and offer refreshments including hot chocolate or soup. Have a Guy scarecrow competition with the best Guy winning a prize. **Garage Sale**.

## H

**Head and Tails Auction** - good to do at a dinner evening. Get everyone to stand up and pass a bucket around collecting people's change (although encourage £5 notes). Everyone decides whether they're heads or tails by putting a hand on their head or their bottom. Flip a coin on stage and announce the results. Those who get it wrong sit down. Continue until only one person is left. The winner gets a prize. **Halloween Party** – use a room in a local pub to host a fancy dress party, charge an entry fee, and organise games, food and a raffle. **Head/beard shave** – if you are renowned for having a lot of hair or a long beard why not do something wild? **Hike, Hour Of Earnings** – get colleagues to donate an hours wage.

## I

**Individual Donations** – an hours pay, pledges. **International Evenings** – food, music, entertainment. **Ironing** – offer to do peoples ironing for a fee.

## J

**Jumble sale, Jigsaw Marathon** – Charge an entry fee. Each person has a jigsaw and is timed to see how long it takes to complete. Once all are completed, the jigsaws are passed onto the next team and so this continues until all jigsaws have been completed. The winner is awarded a small

prize. **Joke-athon** - Have your friends in stitches with a joke-athon. How long can you keep your friends laughing? If the jokes are really bad, make them pay a fee to leave.

## K

**Knit** the longest scarf and be sponsored by the inch or knit items to sell at Bazaars and fetes, **Karaoke Night, It's a Knockout** – get together teams and organise some wacky games. **Kick A Habit** – get sponsored for giving up a habit.

## L

**Local challenges** - fun runs and marathons, why not register and get sponsored by friends, family and colleagues? **Lego Contest, Loose Change Collection, Live Stream** – cookery session, teach knitting, fitness.

## M

**Mother's Day Afternoon Tea, Mile of Pound Coins** – find somewhere interesting like a park and get the passing public to add loose change to the chain. **Memory tree** – use cardboard hearts, get people make a donation, write a message to a loved one and hang on a tree. **Murder Mystery Night**

## N

**Nearly-New-Sale, New Year's Eve Party, Netball Tournament, Non-Uniform Day. National Days** – Doughnut Week, and British Sandwich week could be an opportunity to raise funds. **Night Time Walk**

## O

**Onesie day** – wear a onesie to work for a small donation. **Outgrown exchange** – sell children's clothes, books and toys, charge entry. **Odd Job Day** – charge for doing odd jobs

around the house. **Opposite Handed Day** – do everything with your least prominent hand and be sponsored. **Open Mic Night** – poems, comedy, singing.

## P

**Plant Sale** – get colleagues to take cuttings from their gardens and sell them in the office or at a local fete. **Pancake Day, Pet Show** (National Pet Month April).

## Q

**Quiz Night** – compile questions on music, general knowledge or other specialist subjects, and provide refreshments and food. **Quintessentially Yorkshire Day** – Yorkshire Tea party, Fancy Dress, dress as your favourite Yorkshire person. Quiz about all things Yorkshire.

## R

**Raffle** – ask local companies to provide prizes and raffle them off. **Race nights, Recipe Book** – get everyone in the office, community group or older people to write their favourite recipe, compile, print and sell to family and friends. **Recycle** - Recycling for Good Causes specialises in converting unwanted items into money for charities. Just get in touch to let them know what you want to recycle - 0800 633 5323 or [info@recyclingforgoodcauses.org](mailto:info@recyclingforgoodcauses.org)

## S

**S&4Ctea, Soapbox Derby** – organise your own event and build your own Go-kart. **Stand-Up Bingo** - sell bingo cards around the room, each with one number on it. Ask all the participants to stand up. Spin the balls and when a number is called that person has to sit down. The last one standing scoops the prize. **Swimathon** – have different distance targets for different abilities. **Supper club** – invite guests to your home, cook them a meal and charge them entry or get them to donate what they feel the meal was worth. **Sponsored Silence, Skydive. Stand Up Comedy**

# T

**Treasure Hunt, Tea Party, Table Top Sale, Talent Show, Tombola** - Get friends and family to donate gifts and organise a tombola. Only numbers ending in 0 or 5 will win a prize!

**Teddy Bears Picnic**

# U

**Unwanted Gifts Amnesty** – get friends and colleagues to donate unwanted birthday and Christmas presents put them into a charity auction, raffle or online auction site like eBay. **Undies on the outside** – wear your undies outside you're your clothes. **Unplug from Tech** – get sponsored for not using your mobile or laptop/TV for a day.

# V

**Vegetable Growing Competition** pay to enter, win prizes for wonkiest or largest veg.

**Valentines Dinner. Virtual Events** – Organise an online quiz with friends, family or colleagues. **Vintage Sale.**

# W

**Walk On Hot Coals, World Meal** – starter from India, main from Thailand, dessert from Italy, decorate the room with flags and interesting facts about the countries. **Wedding Favours** – ask guests for donations to charity . **Wine Tasting**

# X

**Xmas Card Substitution** – donate to your charity rather than send Xmas cards. **Xmas Card Donation Tree** – get colleagues to forgo buying Xmas cards for everyone in the office and instead donate to the charity, cut out some cardboard baubles and get them to write a Xmas message, and display them on a cardboard Xmas tree. **X-Factor Competition** – get talented friends and colleagues to show off their talents, have a 'pay to leave' policy if it gets bad.

# Y

**Yes Day** – say yes to everything you are asked (within reason) and be sponsored to do so. **Year**

**Of** – do something for a year and get sponsored for doing it, walk 30,000 steps a week.

# Z

**Zumba-thon** – join in an organised event or organise your own with your local leisure centre or

gym. **Zoo Quiz** – base your quiz around zoological questions, get people to dress up as animals,

charge an entry fee. **Zany Clothes Day** – Turn up to work in a ballgown or clashing patterns

charge a fee to join in. **Zip Wire** – Challenge yourself at the UK's longest zip wire.

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