



Fundraising Ideas - A to Z

Arts or crafts stall – let your imagination go wild—try making greeting cards, scarves or jewelry to sell

Auction – get goods donated and hold an auction

Band night – get a local band to play and charge people an entry fee

Bingo night – an oldie but a goodie

Book sale – collect old books from everyone you know and sell them

Car wash – get your friends together and have a fun day washing cars

Casino night – card or games night

Casual day – ask people at your work or school to pay to dress casual for a day

Caption competition – choose a funny photo and get people to pay an entry fee submit a caption

Cold turkey – be sponsored to 'give up' something e.g. talking, driving, Facebook, television

Collection boxes – great for the workplace, receptions or workshops

Competitions – be creative with fun competitions in the home, office or workshop e.g. who can throw a gold coin closest to the prize

Crafts – if you have a talent, make something and sell it to others e.g. hand bags, necklaces, etc

Dinner party – ask your friends/family to come around for dinner and charge \$20 per head

Dollar for dollar – ask your boss to match what you raise

Exhibitions – display your art, crafts and interests and charge an admission fee

Fancy dress – get everyone to dress up in fancy dress, award prizes and collect donations

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Fun run – join in a fun run and ask your friends to sponsor you

Games afternoon – get your friends together for an afternoon of board games, egg and spoon races, or wheelbarrow races... use your imagination

Garage sales – Host a garage sale in your neighborhood and donate the proceeds

Guessing game – guess the weight of a new born baby, 'How many grapes in a jar?'

Head shave – get sponsored to shave or color your hair

Hire services – hire out what you do best: mow lawns, handy man, massage or even accounts

In lieu –in place of a gift for any special occasion ask friends and family to donate

Jigsaw marathon – get some willing people around and ask them to donate a small amount to be part of the jigsaw marathon. Each person has a jigsaw and is timed to see how long it takes to complete. After the first has been completed, it is a race to the finish. The winner is the quickest to complete all of the jigsaws

Juice stand – make some fresh, natural juices and sell for donations at work

Karaoke night – hold a night where people can sing along to all their favorite songs

Lawn mowing – use your lawn mowing skills and let your friends and family know. Charge a fee for your services and make sure you explain where the money raised will be donated to inspire people to support you

Limbo competition – charge an entry fee and then see how low everyone can go!

Luncheon – invite everyone in your workplace, school or friends and family to a grand lunch. Make healthy sandwiches and nibbles

Movie night – ask for a donation and get friends together to watch a classic

Name the baby competition – who's that baby, get old baby photos of your mates or—much better—your bosses or teachers. Stick them up around your school or office and get people to pay to guess who they are

Office collection – put a jar on your desk with notices telling people what you're raising money for and remind your colleagues that it's for a good cause



Open garden – green thumbs can invite people to visit their garden and charge an admission fee, maybe sell some plants as well

Plant sale – requires forward planning—buy a packet of seeds, vegetables or pretty flowers and plant them. When they're looking impressive, set up a stall and sell the plants

Play DJ – throw a party and get people to pay for the privilege of playing music from their iPod

Photo competition – get kids and adults to showcase their photography skills

Quest – get your friends together and ask people to prepare and perform a talent

Raffle – ask local businesses to donate prizes and run your own

Retail therapy – ask people to sacrifice three items from their weekly shop and donate the funds instead

Slave for a day – sell a high profile person—give them tasks for a day e.g. at the local cafe, answering telephones, coffee runs

Sports days – golf tournament, tennis round robin, bowls day, darts night

Spelling bee – grab a dictionary and hold challenges in your office, club or home

Speed dating – play cupid while organizing a matchmaking event

Swear jar – stick a swear jar in your office, club rooms or home for any 'slips of the tongue'

Talent quest – get your friends together and ask people to prepare and perform a talent

Tea-party – tea is the new fashionable drink of choice, or so they say. Charge your friends to attend, and go all-out with the finger sandwiches and healthy snacks. Very civilized

Trivia night – a great social gathering with facts and figures

Treasure hunt – place prizes around your home or park and charge an admission to play

Trek – strap on your shoes and get walking with your friends



Tug-of-war – teams pay to enter, with the hope of winning prizes. Teachers vs. students, boys vs. girls, or one town vs. another could be fun

Twister-a-thon – get sponsored to play an all-day game of Twister. People will donate more if you're doing it in a public place—your embarrassment is always worth a donation

University Challenge – get together with your old college friends—and have a challenge!

Valentine's Day Event – soft music, mirror-balls, largely heart-based decor... you get the idea. Sell tickets to the love-sick and desperate. Alternatively, hold an anti-Valentine party

Waxing boys – get your sports team involved and get sponsored to wax your legs or chest

Wheel barrow races – see Games afternoon

Xmas party – get out the mistletoe for a big Christmas party, or sell home-made gifts at a Christmas fair

Yo Yo competition – get people to pay to enter; hand out small prizes for duration and tricks

Yoga marathon – get sponsored to do yoga for a day. You'll be so bendy by the end of it that you can charge people to watch you tie yourself in knots. Bonus!

Zany dress day – charge a fee for friends or work colleagues to wear crazy clothes or hats for the day. Why not encourage everyone to come dressed as celebrities, animals, in their team colors or in all teal?