

# A-Z Fundraising Ideas

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<b>Abseiling</b>	Scale the dizzy heights of a local landmark or office block.
<b>Advertising Booklet</b>	Compile a local information booklet for distribution at libraries, shops and businesses. Include info on local attractions. Make money with adverts and discount vouchers from local firms.
<b>Aerobics</b>	Organise a sponsored aerobathon with the help of gyms, leisure centres and sports shops.
<b>Afternoon Tea</b>	Put the kettle on and get baking. Entertain guests with raffles, auctions, tombolas & live music.
<b>Air Miles</b>	Collect your own, then raffle them off.
<b>Aluminium Collection</b>	Collect empty cans and tins and sell them to a recycling company.
<b>Arts/Crafts Stall</b>	Make necklaces, dried flower arrangements, stained glass mirrors, etc, to sell on a stall.
<b>Art exhibition</b>	Stage an exhibition for local artists. Charge entrance fee and commission.
<b>'As New' Sale</b>	AKA posh jumble sale. Ask everyone you know for unwanted belongings & hold a sale evening.
<b>Auction</b>	Auction off original items, taking a percentage of sales.
<b>Auction of Services</b>	Auction services of people and businesses - anything from singing lessons to dinner for two.
<b>Badge Making</b>	Make badges to sell at work, to friends or at craft fairs.
<b>Bad tie day</b>	Charge your colleagues a pound to come in wearing their loudest tie. Award the winner.
<b>Baked Bean Bath</b>	Get sponsored to spend the day in a bath/jacuzzi of baked beans. Charge friends to join you.
<b>Balloon Race</b>	Sell balloons that are filled with helium; the purchasers' name and address are written on a tag fixed to the balloon. The balloon that travels the furthest wins a prize.
<b>Balloon Rides</b>	Offer as a prize for raffle/auction, or sell trips in a chartered balloon.
<b>Barbecue</b>	Add stereo, football and rounders bats and make it a whole day's event.
<b>Barn Dance</b>	Swing into action by hiring a caller and traditional country band. Serve food & plenty of cider.
<b>Battle of the Bands</b>	Contest for unsigned bands, where audience votes on the winner. Charge bands to enter, offer cash prizes and invite record producers. Sell tickets and set up a paying bar.

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<b>Beat the Goalie</b>	Score a goal and win a prize. Footballers pay to enter.
<b>Bed Push</b>	The 'bed' can be anything from a hospital bed to a four-poster or even a 3-piece suite!
<b>Beer Festival</b>	Stock up on international beers, food and music. Remember to check licensing laws.
<b>Bingo</b>	Hold a one-off evening or regular morning sessions.
<b>Board Games Evening</b>	Invite friends over to play Scrabble, Monopoly, Cluedo and more. Charge entrance or game fee.
<b>Boat Race</b>	Teams build model boats and race them. Alternatively, use real yachts, dinghies or canoes.
<b>Boat Trips</b>	Organise a cruise down a nearby river or canal. Include refreshments & entertainment.
<b>Bonny Baby Contest</b>	Charge proud parents to show off their offspring in the town centre. Invite the local press.
<b>Book Sale</b>	Sell old books, collected from everyone you know. Book dealers may buy leftover stock.
<b>Bouncy Castle</b>	A great way to keep kids entertained at bigger family events. Bouncing fee.
<b>Bungee Jump</b>	Raise sponsorship by flying in the face of fear.
<b>Burns Night</b>	Theme evening with Scottish dancing, Haggis, Nepes and Tatties. Admission fee.
<b>Bus Pull</b>	Gather a team & get sponsored to heave a bus through town. More teams? Make it a race.
<b>Cake Stall</b>	Hold a traditional cake stand at fetes or fairs. Check health and safety regulations.
<b>Calendars</b>	Design & sell a pictorial calendar for your company. Departments/suppliers may sponsor pages.
<b>Candle making</b>	Make and sell candles at craft fairs or coffee mornings.
<b>Car boot sale</b>	Cash in your old belongings, or sell pitches. Raise more with bouncy castles, raffles, etc.
<b>Car treasure hunt</b>	Drive from clue to clue in search of the 'treasure'. Teams pay to enter.
<b>Car wash</b>	Wash cars at shopping centre or office car parks.
<b>Carnival</b>	Arrange a colourful carnival for your town, charging for each float entered.
<b>Carol concert</b>	Host a festive concert for your community. Earn extra by selling minced pies & mulled wine.
<b>Carol singing</b>	Get a group to go door-to-door singing. Bigger public displays may require a licence.
<b>Casino evening</b>	Hire gaming tables and a hall for the evening.
<b>Chariot race</b>	Teams race decorated 'chariots' - anything from a horse and cart to a sedan chair.

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<b>Charity ball</b>	Raise sponsorship the sophisticated way. Organise a themed ball with DJ or live music at a hotel or nightclub. Charge for tickets, but boost your earnings with games and raffles.
<b>Charity push</b>	Get sponsored to cover a set distance in a bed, shopping trolley, bathtub, wheelie bin...
<b>Children's party</b>	Organise children's parties or activities, but be sure to check relevant childcare practices.
<b>Christmas draw</b>	Sell tickets and ask local firms to supply prizes. Check regulations about public draws & raffles.
<b>Classic car show</b>	Well-organised classic car and bike shows are great crowd pullers and fantastic fundraisers.
<b>Clocks</b>	Build clocks to sell at craft fairs.
<b>Coach trips</b>	Coach trips to London, Blackpool, flower shows, etc, are popular. Sell tickets and hold a raffle.
<b>Coconut shy</b>	Easily arranged game for traditional fairs. All you need are a few coconuts and wooden balls.
<b>Coffee morning</b>	It's open house for the morning. Make extra with raffles, bring and buy sales and cake stalls.
<b>Collecting tins</b>	Trusted fundraiser for busy pedestrian areas. Charity should supply tins, stickers and leaflets.
<b>Concerts</b>	Entertain the crowds with your own recital, or hire bands of musicians.
<b>Cookery demo</b>	Invite well-known chefs to share the recipe of their success with a ticket-paying audience.
<b>Copper collection</b>	Ask people to donate their collections of one and two pence pieces.
<b>Craft fair</b>	Make necklaces, dried flower arrangements, stained glass mirrors, etc, to sell on a stall.
<b>Cricket match</b>	Assemble a team and challenge your county team to a match. Charge spectators.
<b>Crossword contest</b>	Compile huge crossword, so punters pay per clue. Each number hides a ticket for prize draw.
<b>Dance</b>	Barn dances, tea dances, disco dances, salsa dances - whatever rocks your boat.
<b>Darts tournament</b>	Challenge all the pub teams in the area to compete for cash prizes, or a barrel of beer.
<b>Dinner and cabaret</b>	Hire a popular and spacious restaurant. Entertain ticket holders with music, comedy & magic.
<b>Directories</b>	Compile a community businesses and services directory. Raise funds through advertising.
<b>Disco</b>	Spin the decks or hire a DJ to stage a themed disco night.
<b>Dog show</b>	Charge proud pet-owners to show off their pooches. Ask pet shops to sponsor the event.
<b>Duck race</b>	Sell numbered plastic ducks and launch them from a bridge. The duck to finish first wins.

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<b>Easter egg hunt</b>	Edible hide and seek. Charge entry fee and ask confectioners to provide the eggs.
<b>Eating marathon</b>	Get sponsored to stuff your face with as many baked beans/grapes/pies etc. as possible.
<b>Eyebrows</b>	Get sponsored to shave them off - they grow back eventually!
<b>Face painting</b>	Get creative with face paints at fetes, fairs and children's parties.
<b>Fancy dress</b>	Jazz up your event with a fancy dress contest. Charge entrance fee.
<b>Fashion show</b>	Ask businesses to sponsor venue, outfits or catwalk. Charge admission and sales commission.
<b>Fastathon</b>	Get sponsored to fast for an hour, a morning or a day. Consult your doctor first.
<b>Fete</b>	Reach the whole community by holding a fete, or team up with organisers of an annual event.
<b>Film evening</b>	Recreate an evening of vintage cinema by showing classic films and musicals.
<b>Fireworks</b>	Weather permitting, firework displays are massive fundraisers. Check out safety precautions.
<b>Flower arranging</b>	Make your own fresh, dried or silk arrangements to sell at craft fairs or fetes.
<b>Flower show</b>	Always popular. Boost funds with competitions, advice corners & side stalls.
<b>Football tournament</b>	Schedule fixtures and charge teams to enter. Ask local businesses for prizes.
<b>Foreign coins</b>	Ask people to donate their leftover holiday coins. Change into sterling once you have enough.
<b>Fun day</b>	Arrange games, music, competitions and stalls at a nearby hall or sports club.
<b>Furniture sale</b>	Hire a large hall to sell donated furniture and old office equipment. Take sales commission.
<b>Game show</b>	Host mock version of Who Wants To Be A Millionaire or The Weakest Link. Otherwise adapt board games for big audiences, and get prizes donated.
<b>Garage sale</b>	Sell off all your unwanted belongings.
<b>Garden party</b>	Sell tickets or invite guests to make a donation.
<b>Gardening</b>	Offer your gardening services to friends and family.
<b>Glamorous Gran</b>	Go in search of your area's most glamorous gran. Charge contestants to enter, and ask local hair and beauty salons to donate prizes. Invite the local press.
<b>Go Kart Grand Prix</b>	Hold a Go Kart Grand Prix at the nearest track. Drivers pay entrance fee.
<b>Greeting cards</b>	Make and sell cards for every occasion. Find out about selling Christmas cards for your charity.
<b>Guess the???</b>	Competitors guess how many sweets in the jar, a cake's weight, etc. The closest answer wins.

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<b>Guest speaker</b>	Invite a guest speaker and sell admission tickets. Boost funds with raffle & refreshments.
<b>Guided tours</b>	Take tourists and visitors on locally guided walks or trips.
<b>Gunge Tank</b>	Charge fairgoers to drop their relatives, friends or enemies in tank of last week's leftovers.
<b>Halloween party</b>	Another excuse to dress up and party. Charge entrance fees and raise money trick or treating.
<b>Head shave</b>	Sick of bad hair days? Go bald for charity.
<b>Hook-a-duck</b>	Fete and fair game. Ask local companies to donate prizes.
<b>Hoopla</b>	Fete and fair game. Ask local companies to donate prizes.
<b>Household sale</b>	Sell off all your unwanted belongings.
<b>Indoor market</b>	Rent out stalls to local traders, or take cut of profits.
<b>Inflatable</b>	Put a bounce into your summer fete with an inflatable fly wall, boxing ring or gladiator court.
<b>Ironing</b>	Offer your ironing services - at a cost.
<b>It's a knockout</b>	Revive the 80s game show by inviting teams to compete in silly games in silly costumes.
<b>Jailbreak</b>	Dump teams in the middle of nowhere. With no money or transport, see who gets back to base first. Charge entrance fees and offer prizes.
<b>Jazz festival</b>	Play your own brand of jazz, or stage a show for local musicians. Sell tickets and refreshments.
<b>Jewellery making</b>	Buy your own beads and get threading. Sell your products at markets and craft fairs.
<b>Junk mail</b>	Collect all your junk mail and sell it to a recycling company.
<b>Karaoke</b>	Arrange your own Pop Idol contest. All you need is a machine, a room and a well-stocked bar.
<b>Left-handed day</b>	Try doing everything with your left hand for the day.
<b>Line dancing</b>	It's all the rage. Just make sure you have a caller and plenty of drink!
<b>Marathons</b>	Get sponsored to run a traditional 26-mile race.
<b>Medieval Evening</b>	Themed evening of medieval food, jousting and entertainment.
<b>Mile of Pennies</b>	Make a mile of pennies in your town centre. Ask shoppers to help by donating their coins.
<b>Mini-Olympics</b>	Invite everyone you know to compete in traditional & silly sports. Charge entry.
<b>Mufti Day</b>	Introduce dress down day at work. Colleagues pay a fee to leave their suits at home.

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<b>Music Concert</b>	Entertain the crowds with your own recital, or hire bands of musicians.
<b>Nature trail</b>	Offer guided walks to natural beauty spots.
<b>New year resolutions</b>	Get sponsored to stick to your new year's resolutions.
<b>Open garden</b>	Open your garden to visitors. Sell tickets, refreshments, plants and vegetables.
<b>Opera night</b>	Stage an opera evening in your area, or arrange a trip to see a big London production.
<b>Ornament sale</b>	Set up a market/fair stall. Alternatively, plan your own event and charge for pitches.
<b>Outward bound</b>	Go climbing, hiking, camping, etc, in preparation for your trip. Seek sponsorship.
<b>Paintballing</b>	Organise paintballing challenges at locally run centres. Players pay to enter.
<b>Pancake race</b>	Get flipping on Shrove Tuesday. Charge teams to enter, and spectators to eat.
<b>Pantomime</b>	Your chance to play the ugly sister. Stage a production with friends, family and colleagues.
<b>Parachute jump</b>	Daredevils only. Get sponsored to take the plunge.
<b>Parties</b>	Pick a venue, a date, a theme... and party on. Sell tickets and charge for extras like food.
<b>Personalised gifts</b>	Sell uniquely personalised gifts for special occasions.
<b>Pet show</b>	Charge proud pet-owners to show off their cats, hamsters, bunnies, mice, etc.
<b>Petrol tokens</b>	Trade in petrol tokens for gifts, which can be used as raffle or competition prizes.
<b>Pick a cork</b>	Fair game. Pick a numbered cork out of a board. If the number's a winner, claim a prize.
<b>Pick a ticket</b>	Fair game. Pick a numbered ticket from a bucket. If the number's a winner, claim a prize.
<b>Picture framing</b>	Frame and sell prints of local scenes, or pictures relevant to your charity.
<b>Plant a tree</b>	Seek sponsors for a "plant a tree" scheme.
<b>Plant sale</b>	Sell donated plants or rent out pitches to traders.
<b>Playstation play-off</b>	Organise a league of players and compete on a certain game. Charge entrants.
<b>Play your cards right</b>	Fair game made famous by Bruce Forsyth. Guess higher or lower 6 times running & win a prize.
<b>Pledges</b>	Gather pledges of support, donations and services. These could be auctioned or raffled off.
<b>Pop concert</b>	Hire a venue and invite local bands to play. Sell tickets and set up stalls.

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<b>Postage stamps</b>	Collect and sell foreign and unusual stamps to dealers.
<b>Private tuition</b>	Whether it's French or Flamenco, sell your skills with private lessons.
<b>Programmes</b>	Get businesses to advertise in event programmes. Number programmes & use as raffle tickets.
<b>Promotional gifts</b>	Sell promotional gifts with your Charity/organisation logo on.
<b>Pub games night</b>	Stage a championship of traditional pub games - darts, skittles, dominoes, cards, etc.
<b>Puppet show</b>	Pull in the crowds with a traditional Punch & Judy show, or something more innovative.
<b>Quizzes</b>	If your local doesn't run a pub quiz, set one up. Test the regulars on pop, trivia or sport.
<b>Race night</b>	The race is run on a large screen after all bets have been taken. A typical evening consists of eight races. Props (and film) are supplied by race operators. Some gaming regulations apply.
<b>Raffle</b>	Ask local firms to donate prizes and sell tickets. Check raffle laws with charity.
<b>Raft race</b>	Teams compete by building their rafts and racing over a set distance. Teams pay to compete.
<b>Ramble</b>	Take to the countryside for a mass walkabout. Throw in a theme (fancy dress, singles, three legged, Easter), and charge for entry and refreshments.
<b>Recipe book</b>	Publish favourite recipes from local restaurants and chefs.
<b>Recycling</b>	Collect paper, aluminium, glass, etc, and sell on to recycling companies.
<b>Refreshments</b>	Sell teas, coffees, sandwiches, biscuits, cakes, etc, at any fundraising event.
<b>Roll-a-ball</b>	Fair game where player rolls a ball through a hole at the end of a bowling-type alley.
<b>Roll-a-coin</b>	Fair game where player rolls a coin down a shute, aiming to land on a playing card.
<b>Roll the dice</b>	Roll six sixes and win a car! You need a big event... and car sponsor to make this worthwhile.
<b>Safari supper</b>	Travel from restaurant to restaurant, having a different course at each stop. Ask restaurants to support your efforts, but set cover charge to include all food and your cut.
<b>Sale of Xmas gifts</b>	Sell Christmas cards, wrapping, gifts, food and drink.
<b>Santa's Grotto</b>	Pull on your white beard and brush up your ho, ho, ho.
<b>Scavenger hunt</b>	Variation on the treasure hunt where participants have a list of items to collect.
<b>Scrap metal</b>	Collect scrap metal and sell it to a scrap metal dealer or re-cycling plant.
<b>Shoe shine</b>	Get down on your knees at your nearest train station or shopping centre.

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<b>Shopping coupons</b>	Trade in loyalty points for money or goods (to be used as prizes).
<b>Silver collections</b>	Ask supporters to donate their loose change collections.
<b>Sit in a bath</b>	Get sponsored to spend the day in a bath of beans/maggots/tea, etc.
<b>Skittles</b>	Make an evening event out of this traditional pub game.
<b>Skydiving</b>	Free fall your way back to earth - for sponsorship.
<b>Slimming contest</b>	Arrange with local slimming clubs. Participants get sponsored £1 for every pound lost.
<b>Slippery pole</b>	Fair game where competitors pillow fight while sliding along a slippery pole.
<b>Sponge throwing</b>	Players pay to chuck sopping wet sponges at whoever's in the stocks.
<b>Sponsored silence</b>	Mum's the word. Stay silent for as long as you can.
<b>Sports competition</b>	Whatever your game, organise a tournament. Sell tickets, and organise stalls, raffles, etc.
<b>Stage play</b>	Raise the curtain on a local Am Dram production.
<b>Stationary cycle</b>	Don't fancy the map reading? Forget cycling to Paris, but cover the same distance at the gym.
<b>Strawberries &amp; cream</b>	Bring the taste of Wimbledon to your event, with this summery refreshment.
<b>Street entertaining</b>	Get juggling, tight rope walking, fire eating, knife throwing, unicycling...
<b>Swap shop</b>	Put unwanted items in touch with loving homes. Charge swappers to participate.
<b>Swear box</b>	Spend a £1 for every \$@*£\$! uttered. Put a box at home, at work and at the pub.
<b>Swimathon</b>	Get sponsored per length, mile, minute, hour...
<b>Tabletop sale</b>	Indoor variation on the car boot sale. Charge for table hire.
<b>Talent competition</b>	Discover Britain's next big thing with your own talent show. Charge entry and offer prizes.
<b>Ten-pin bowling</b>	Bowling alleys often have special rates for big groups & charity evenings.
<b>Tin can alley</b>	Traditional fair game. Knock down the stack of tin cans and win a prize.
<b>Tombola</b>	Pick a raffle ticket out of a barrel and match it with a ticketed prize. Fair & fete favourite.
<b>Toy sale</b>	In the run up to Christmas, toy sales can be big fundraisers.
<b>Treasure hunt</b>	Sniffing out the clues, teams compete against each other to discover the 'hidden treasure'.

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<b>T-shirts &amp; clothing</b>	Market your charity, club, company by producing a range of promotional clothing.
<b>Tuck shop</b>	Sell sweets, crisps, cake, drinks, etc, at a children's event.
<b>Underwear party</b>	One for the adults! Charge guests to come wearing it, or take commission for selling it.
<b>Unwanted presents</b>	Arrange a post-Christmas sale of unwanted gifts. Ask traders to donate a cut of their takings.
<b>Variety show</b>	Comedians, magicians, singers, dancers & musicians all under one roof.
<b>Vehicle rally</b>	Well-organised car and bike shows are great crowd pullers and fantastic fundraisers.
<b>Visits</b>	Organising visits to local places or tourist destinations.
<b>Walks</b>	Lead organised walks to historical spots and places of interest. Ghost walks are also popular.
<b>Waste paper</b>	Collect waste paper and sell to recycling companies.
<b>Water sports</b>	Let others splash out as you splash in. Teach water sports or get sponsored to take part.
<b>Waxing</b>	A hair-raising experience for the boys. Get sponsored to wax your legs or chest.
<b>Weight of the cake</b>	Fair game. Pay to guess the weight - and win the cake if you're right.
<b>Welly throwing</b>	Fun for every fete and fair. Throwers compete to see whose welly goes furthest.
<b>Whiskey raffle</b>	Charge a pound a ticket, and pick a winner for every 25 sold. Check licensing and raffle laws.
<b>Windscreen wash</b>	Charge to wash windscreens at service and petrol stations. Ask permission first.
<b>Wine &amp; cheese</b>	Ask supermarkets to donate the wine and cheese. Sell tickets, and produce to take away.
<b>Wine tasting</b>	Hold tasting sessions for wine companies. Charge commission on wine sold. Arrange a raffle.
<b>Woodcutting</b>	Offer to prune trees or chop firewood for friends and family.
<b>Wood working</b>	Make and sell your own woodcrafts, or give woodturning/woodcarving demonstrations.
<b>Xmas evening</b>	Stock up on crackers, pudding and mince pies. Break with tradition by holding it in July!
<b>Xmas hampers</b>	Make up and sell your own Xmas hampers. Include food, drink, toys and gifts.
<b>Yacht racing</b>	Participate in regional or national events. Seek sponsorship from local clubs and businesses.
<b>Yard of ale</b>	Challenge yourself and others to a lengthy drinking contest. Charge entry fee.

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<b>Zodiac evening</b>	Invite a guest astrologer for a star-studded fundraiser. Charge for entry and horoscopes.
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