

Fundraising ideas

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Could raise up to £100 and more

- ☺ Afternoon tea, coffee mornings, cake cream tea sales
- ☺ Bag packing at supermarkets
- ☺ BBQ
- ☺ Beard/moustache growing competition
- ☺ Bring £1 to work
- ☺ Car washing
- ☺ Chocolate ban for day/week/month
- ☺ Dog walking for family, friends and neighbours
- ☺ Duck race
- ☺ Easter Egg hunt
- ☺ Face painting
- ☺ Fill the jar or bottle with coins
- ☺ Flower/plant sale
- ☺ Guess the number of sweets in a jar
- ☺ Head shaving, hair beading/plaiting
- ☺ Movie nights, film shows
- ☺ Non-uniform or dress down days: could be themed such as bad hair day, denim days, rainbow day!
- ☺ No TV/phone/technology for day/week/month
- ☺ Odd jobs, window cleaning, ironing or gardening for family, friends and neighbours
- ☺ Seasonal hamper raffle: Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, Easter, Christmas or themed baskets! Ask local retailers for donations
- ☺ Sponsored silence
- ☺ Swear box
- ☺ Tombola
- ☺ Treasure hunt
- ☺ Tuck shop
- ☺ Wax or shave unwanted hair

Could raise up to £1,000

- ☺ Auctions and sales such as car boot, jumble sale, arts and crafts, books
- ☺ Bingo night or afternoon
- ☺ Bucket collection at local supermarkets
- ☺ Donate a day's wages and ask your employer to match it
- ☺ Eating race or competition
- ☺ Fairs and fêtes at school or in the community
- ☺ Fancy dress day
- ☺ Fashion show
- ☺ Karaoke competition
- ☺ Murder mystery evening
- ☺ Old fashioned sponsorship form and/or online fundraising page
- ☺ Pet show
- ☺ Quizzes and games nights in pubs or village halls
- ☺ Themed parties

Could raise over £1,000

- ☺ Ball, dinner dance, disco
- ☺ Cabarets, concerts, gigs, talent shows
- ☺ Golf day
- ☺ Matched fundraising (your employer doubles what you raise)
- ☺ Race night
- ☺ Sporting challenge, competition or marathon with bucket collection

Collections

The owner's written permission is needed if collecting on private property such as a pub or supermarket. A licence is needed for collections on council land or house-to-house. Always use sealed collection devices provided by Children's Hospice South West. The seal is required by law; replace the seal (provided by us) and have two people present each time it's opened and money counted.

Raffles

Rules state that raffles should be drawn on the same day tickets are sold. Each ticket should be the same price and not exceed £2. If your raffle lasts longer than 24 hours there are strict rules that apply.

Organising an event

Public and Products Liability Cover may be needed as well as insurance against theft of money, damage to property or to cover valuable equipment.

Carry out a risk assessment to identify hazards; we can provide a template. Ensure first aid cover and inform the local police and council if the event is in a public area. Get copies of insurance and certificates from any suppliers.

An alcohol licence is needed when selling alcohol at an event that is not licensed, even if the premises is licensed.

You may need a licence if serving food in a public area. Always get copies of food hygiene certificates from caterers.

Letters of authority

A letter to prove fundraising is for Children's Hospice South West can be provided by your local hospice.

Help and guidance

For further advice and support, please get in touch with the Community Fundraiser at your local hospice.

