



# YMCA

## A-Z of FUNdraising ideas

YMCA NEWCASTLE

# A

## **Arts and crafts fair**

Get crafty with a group of friends and sell your works of art at a local craft fair.

## **Auction**

Organise an auction at your place of work, get your co-workers to auction off their talents for a day or sell goods on Ebay.

# B

## **Bad tie day**

Have a competition at work or with a group of friends and challenge them to wear the worst tie they can find for a day and charge them a small fee to take part in the competition.

## **Bag packing**

Ask around at local supermarkets to see if you can hold a bag packing day, busy shoppers will appreciate the help and will make a small donation for your help. Get in touch with us for collection tins.

## **Baked bean bath tub**

Get sponsored to spend an hour in bath tub full of baked beans at school or work. Get in touch with us and we may be able to help you source an old bath tub and beans.

# C

## **Cake sale**

A tasty way to make some money!

## **Car wash**

Organise a sponsored car wash and encourage your local community to come along and pay you to clean their cars for a good cause.

## **Christmas cards**

Design your own cards and sell them to friends and family.

## **Competition**

Devise your own competition and charge people to take part.

## **Cook-off**

Know your way around the kitchen or have a friend who thinks themselves a budding chef, why not arrange a 'Come Dine With Me' style competition or make some tasty treats and sell them around your local community?

## **Chocolate ban**

Are you a choco-holic or know someone who is? Challenge yourself or some friends to give up chocolate for a day, week or month. Donate the money that you would have spent on chocolate to YMCA Newcastle and ask others to sponsor you.



# D

## **Dress up**

Dress up for the day! Charge your friends or co-workers to wear their craziest outfit, or why not dress down for a casual day at work.

## **Dance off**

Think you know how to strut your stuff? Organise a dance competition with your friends.

## **Disco**

Charge an entry fee and have a boogie.

# E

## **Egg and spoon race**

Challenge your mates to an egg and spoon race, or why not organise a whole sports day?

## **Exercise-a-thon**

Want to lose a few pounds? Why not get a group together and hold an exercise class and charge a fee.



# F

## **Fancy dress**

Get everyone at work to wear their wackiest costume for the day, charge them a fee and vote for who has the best costume.

## **Five a side**

Challenge your friends, family or co-workers to a five a side tournament in a sport of your choice, everyone pays to play.

## **Film night**

Hire a local community centre (why not our Walker Park centre) and create a community cinema, charge an entry fee and sell popcorn and drinks.

# G

## **Give it up**

Go without something you love or give up a naughty habit, get your friends and family to sponsor you.

## **Guess the...?**

Get your friends and family to guess how many beads are in a jar, the weight of a cake, the name of doll, anything you can think off! Charge £1 per guess.



# H

## **Hair shave off**

Get sponsored by friends and family to shave off your hair, or take it a step further and dye your beard a rainbow of colours for a month or get your legs waxed.

# I

## **It's a knockout**

Organise an It's a Knockout competition, get your friends and family involved and charge people to watch.

## **Itchy jumper day**

Get everyone at your work to wear the ugliest, itchiest jumper they can find for a day. Charge them a £1 to take part, or £2 to not take part.

# J

## **Jumble sale**

Get your local community to organise a jumble sale or car boot sale, charge entry fees or donate the profits.

# K

## **Karaoke**

Host a karaoke evening and organise your own X Factor style competition and charge entry.



# L

## **Limbo competition**

Organise a limbo competition during your lunch break at work, whoever can go the lowest wins! Charge £1 to take part.

## **Line dancing**

Organise a barn dance at a local community centre and ask a local dancer to lead a line dance, your community will enjoy the night and learn a new dance. Charge entry and sell drinks and snacks.

# M

## **Magic show**

Are you a master of card tricks or a budding magician? Put on a magic show and charge your friends and family a fee to come and watch.

# N

## **Nominate a friend**

Nominate a friend to do something crazy! You could get them to wax their legs, run a half-marathon or even do a sky dive! Remind them to set up an individual fundraising page on our website.



# O

## **Odd jobs**

Would you rate yourself as a handy man? Offer your services to your local community and charge a small fee.

# P

## **Penalty shoot out**

Show off your footie skills in a sponsored shoot out, get your friends to take part and charge them entry.

## **Plate smash**

Let out all that built up tension! Organise a plate smash at work, charge per plate.

# Q

## **Quit night**

Organise a quiz night at a local club or pub, donate the entry fees to us.

# R

## **Raffles**

Sell raffle tickets to your local community, ask local businesses to donate tempting prizes.





# S

## **Stalls**

Organise a community air and sell goods, or hire a stall at a local market and sell unwanted goods, donate your takings.

## **Sponsors**

Whatever you decide to do, can you add sponsored element to it? Its a great way of collecting and people will love sponsoring you to do something unusual or fun!

# T

## **Twenty-four hour fast**

Can you go without something you really love for 24 hours? Get sponsored to do so!

# U

## **Ugly face pulling contest**

Hold a contest and charge entry, get your friends and family to try out their ugliest face!

# V

## **Vampire disco**

Host a vampire themed party, get all your friends round in their scariest vamp costumes and charge an entry fee.



# W

## Walk

Get a group of friends together and do a sponsored walk for us.

## Welly throwing competition

Charge an entry fee and see who can throw the welly the furthest, why not organise a whole sports day.

# X

## X Factor

Host an X Factor style singing competition at your school or work place.

# Y

## You decide!

Come up with your own fundraising idea, it could be ANYTHING!

# Z

## Zumba

Organise a zumba class and charge an entry, or any other type of exercise class!

