



Nevis at Night

The Festival of the Elements

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Fundraising can be a daunting task so here are some ideas to get you started!

- Parents Night Out: Plan an evening where parents can drop off their little ones for a couple hours. Coordinate some games or a movie for the kids and charge a babysitting fee per child.
- Coffee is a morning essential for so many people everywhere. Consider tapping into this ritual to raise money for your cause. People are going to be buying it anyway, this way they can put their funds towards something good. You could double up and serve breakfast snacks to bring in some extra money.
- Talk to your neighbours and see who you can help for a small donation.
- Dog walking service. As well as fundraising for your cause you would be helping your neighbours, and is a great chance to foster community relations, catch up or meet new people.
- Dog washing! Dogs are by far the most popular pets in the UK and the world over. Do it for small charge, and dog owners will rush to you.
- Guess the baby photo! This has been the source of hilarity in work places for many years. Willing participants pay an entry fee and bring in a photo of themselves as a baby. Everyone taking part then tries to guess who each baby grew up to be. The person who gets the most correct wins. It's amazing and very funny just how different (or similar) our baby selves were!
- Lawn mowing. If you can do it for your parents, you can do it for some charity cash too. Just make some fliers to let people know that you can mow their lawn for a tiny charge which goes towards a charitable cause. People are likely to pay generously.
- Match funding. This has brought in a lot of money for different charities. Basically, you fundraise a sum of money through another fundraising idea and you get a company or your employer to agree to match whatever sum you raise. This doubles the amount that you would have ended with. The company will get increased exposure as well as helping a great cause.
- Ever discovered the nature trails in your area? Well, you could be a guide for a good reason. Charge a nominal amount from people who wish to go for treks or nature watch.

- This time, go for lift sharing not only to save money, but to save money for a cause – particularly if you are donating to an environmental charity. Encourage your mates too; it only gets better with more people.
- Film screening. Host a night at the movies replete with popcorn and candy.
- Games Night. Whack out any board games you have – Cluedo, Monopoly, Jenga, Twister, the lot – and host an office games night. Split into teams so that everyone gets to have a go on the different games.
- Wine and Cheese Night. Hold a wine and cheese tasting night after work. You can charge a little more for this than other activities. Also, make sure to cover the cost of buying the wine and cheese! Your colleagues are sure to love it.
- Summer BBQ. As the weather gets warmer and the days get longer, a BBQ is the perfect way to fundraise and celebrate summer. So find an outdoor space close to the office and ask everyone to bring a dish and donate some money.
- Picnic. If you don't have the facilities for a BBQ, then organise a picnic instead. Ask your boss if there is any budget to cover the food – that way you can charge a higher donation to all of your colleagues who come along. Also, you won't have to subtract any money to cover ingredients.