

# Great ideas!

## from A-Z

**A**

**Auction:** Auction off anything you have at your disposal, such as goods, services or skills donated by friends and family. Why not ask companies to donate items?

**B**

**BBQ party:** Hold a barbecue party for friends, family, neighbours and colleagues and sell tickets for the event. Raise extra money by selling drinks and raffle tickets on the day.

**C**

**Celebrations:** Ask for a donation to Concern in lieu of gifts for an upcoming birthday, anniversary, graduation, wedding or any special occasion!

**D**

**Dress down day:** Take a break from wearing your suit or uniform and dress down for a day at work and pay for the privilege.

**E**

**Easter party:** Have a party during the holidays. There are lots of low-cost ways to raise money...an Easter egg hunt, egg painting followed by an egg-rolling competition.

**F**

**Fancy dress party:** Host a fancy dress party at your home, school, workplace or a local venue, and pick a theme to encourage people to get involved.

**G**

**Gig:** Organise a music or comedy gig at a local venue. Charge an entrance fee and provide donated food and drink at a cost.

**H**

**Hike:** Organise a hike and get sponsored. You don't have to live close to the country – one of our supporters walked 50 miles around London covering all the homes in which he had lived.

**I**

**It's a Knockout:** Plan an It's a Knockout-style competition at work or school with loads of fun and messy challenges.

**J**

**Jumble sale:** A great excuse to declutter. Ask people to donate their old clothes and have a jumble sale or a clothes swapping party at home or at a local venue.

**K**

**Knitting:** Put your needles together and knit items to sell.

**L**

**Lunches:** Plan a Sunday lunch or garden party for all your friends or local community. Ask them to donate the value of what they would have spent on a meal out.

**M**

**Murder mystery evening:** Buy a murder mystery box set and organise your own 'whodunit' evening. Invite friends to dress up and make a donation to attend.

DO YOUR OWN  
MAKE IT COUNT

# Great ideas!

## from A-Z

N

**Non-uniform day:** Liaise with the headteacher about a dress down day at school, with each child donating £1 to take part.

O

**One day fast:** Take part in Concern's annual fast or give up your favourite food or vice for a day and get sponsored for abstaining.

P

**Pub events:** Organise a themed night in your local bar. Get a DJ or band involved. Charge an entrance fee and make sure you do a raffle.

Q

**Quiz night:** Arrange a quiz night at your local venue. Ask for a donation from participants to enter and provide snacks and a raffle for extra income.

R

**Readathon:** Encourage a local school to hold a sponsored Readathon, or get friends together in a book club, suggesting a small donation for every book you read.

S

**Sports events:** Do you belong to a sports club or know anyone in a club? Why not persuade them to hold a charity day?

T

**Treasure hunt:** Organise a treasure hunt and ask teams to pay an entrance fee, offering a prize for the fastest team. Get local businesses involved and see if they can donate prizes.

U

**Urban street party:** Get your neighbours involved.

V

**Valet service:** Have a car wash and valet day.

W

**Wine tasting evening:** Spend an evening tasting fine wines. Ask attendees to pay an entry fee and provide wine and nibbles.

X

**Xbox tournament:** Decide on an entry fee per person and provide some refreshments for an entertaining evening.

Y

**Yoga bunny:** Challenge others to a sponsored yoga competition, seeing who can do the most yoga poses while being timed. Or hold a yoga session or Yogathon.

Z

**Zip lining:** Find a local zip wire venue and get sponsored as an individual or group to whizz around the course.

DO YOUR OWN RESEARCH  
MAKE IT COUNT