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# SPRING Fling Fundraiser



March - May 2025  
Information Guide



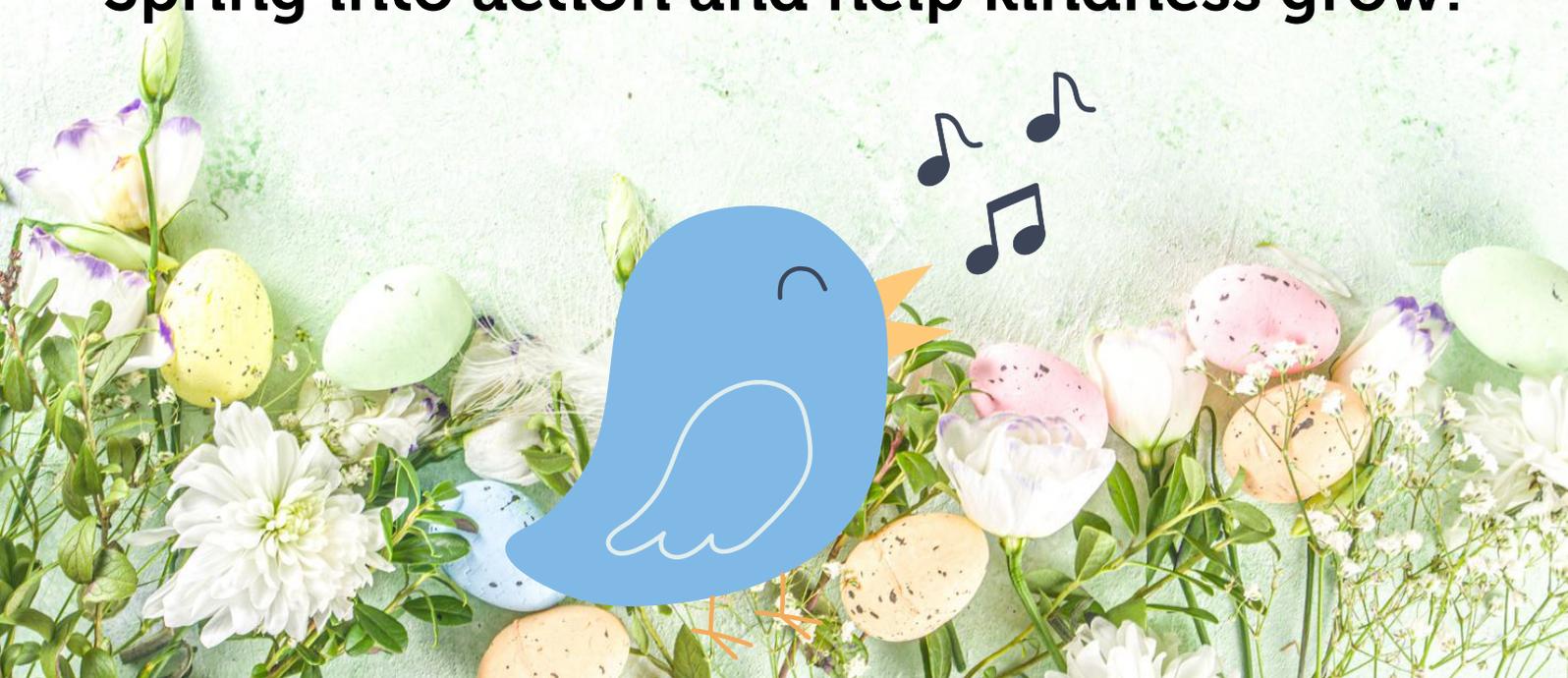
# Why Get Involved?

As the weather warms and flowers begin to bloom, spring presents the perfect opportunity to rally support for those who need it most in our community.

Holding a spring fundraiser for CrossReach not only allows you to raise crucial funds but also fosters a sense of community and excitement. Whether you're organizing a small gathering or a large event, the key to success lies in planning, creativity, and engagement.

This guide is designed to help you navigate the process, from selecting the right type of fundraiser to ensuring its success. With the right approach, your spring fundraiser can make a lasting impact and bring people together to support a cause that matters. Let's dive in and explore how you can make the most of this season of renewal and generosity!

**Spring into action and help kindness grow!**



# How to Get Involved

## Choose your event type

Have a look through our information guide for some inspiration. Find a particular idea that interests you or combine multiple ideas - something for everyone!

## Plan the details

Decide on a date and time between March and May to hold your fundraiser. See what resources are available to you and what you still need to make the event happen. Get in touch with our fundraising team for resources such as collection boxes and leaflets.

## Spread the word

Promote your event in your community - use the poster and advertisement templates provided and circulate with the details of your specific event. Use social media, local newspapers and notice boards to get the word out. Reach out to local business for their support - see if they will donate materials, merchandise, etc..



# How to Get Involved



## Enjoy the event

With all the organising done and dusted, it's time to engage with supporters and enjoy the day. Embrace all your hard work and have fun!



## Track & share results

Get in contact with our fundraising team to let us know how the event went. Share photos, advice and learnings - be loud and proud about the funds you raised for a vital service!



## Reflect & celebrate

Take the time to look back on what you have achieved. Recognise the difference the funds raised from your event will have on those in your community.

**This guide will walk you through everything you need to know about planning and executing a successful CrossReach Spring Fling fundraiser—from choosing the right event format to engaging your supporters.**

**Let's get started and make this season one of positive change and impact!**



# Event Ideas

Browse through our event ideas for some inspiration for your CrossReach Spring Fling fundraiser. Choose one, come up with your own or throw a Spring Fling Festival with a combination of ideas to create a whole experience for your supporters and your community.



## Easter Egg Hunt

Fill easter eggs with items of your choice - chocolate, small toys, sweets, and hide them in various locations indoors or outdoors



If you have the space, you could make it a scavenger hunt and hide clues which lead participants to a final prize. Encourage a small donation for participation, arm participants with baskets or bags, give them the directions for where to search and let them loose!

# Easter Basket Raffle

Reach out to local businesses, crafters and creators in your community for donations. Present the donations in a wonderful Easter Basket and give people the chance to purchase a ticket to be in with a chance of winning it, with entry fee being a donation.



# Guess the Jar

A simple way of increasing fundraising with limited effort - fill a big jar or container with small sweet treats for example mini eggs. Let people pay to guess how many are in the jar with the nearest answer winning the contents (make sure to count as you fill!!)

# Face Painting

Encourage someone with a steady hand and artistic flair to get involved. Equip them with some face paints and brushes and offer to create colourful designs for kids (and adults who are brave enough) for a small donation.



## Bake Sale

What better way to encourage donations than to offer sweet treats in exchange? Get your baking gloves on and encourage others in the community to do the same. Set up a stall and display your bakes for all to admire and purchase.



## Spring Themed Quiz

Pick a venue and a quiz master to hold a Spring Quiz. Charge a small entry fee per team, create your own questions or avail of the quiz questions in the resource section of this guide.



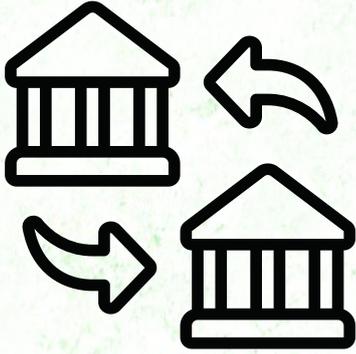
## Spring Clean Sale

With spring being the perfect time for a clear out, encourage people to donate their items whether it be clothes, furniture, toys, books, etc. for a week or 2 prior to your event, then have a sale where all proceeds are going as donations.



# How to Donate

Now that all the hard work is done, it's time to put those vital funds raised to use within our CrossReach services. You can make your donation by bank transfer using the details below:



<b>Bank Name:</b>	CrossReach
<b>Sort Code:</b>	80-41-21
<b>Account Number:</b>	00227186
<b>Ref:</b>	Spring Fling

You can also send a cheque or cash to the following address and we will process it.

**Fundraising and Engagment,  
Charis House,  
47 Milton Road East,  
Edinburgh,  
EH15 2SR**



All funds raised and donated will go directly to our services who need it most to continue to support those already using the services as well as to expand and reach those who need us.



# How Your Donation Helps

**£5**



could help fund a weeks supply of tea & coffee in one of our counselling services

**£10**



could buy a cooking pot & utensils to use over an outdoor campfire for outdoor learning

**£25**



could allow a child affected by their parent's substance misuse to take part in activities to build self-esteem and confidence.

**£50**



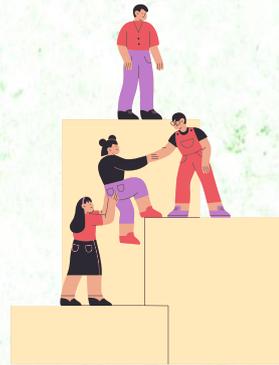
could cover the cost of a 1-hour counselling session for someone at rock bottom who doesn't have the means to pay for the support they need.

**£100**



enables a new mum to leave her baby safe in the hands of our trained creche workers while she has her counselling sessions

**£500**



enables someone in recovery from addiction to access the counselling support they need to succeed.

# Our Spring Appeal

"The wheels came of my life. The future felt full of regrets, as the shame of my past raged to belong in my present.

"I relapsed into chronic substance abuse...

"It wasn't the first time suicide seemed like the only escape."



~ Darren

**Darren spent some of his turbulent childhood in one of our CrossReach children's homes and later became a client within our counselling services.**

To hear more about Darren's story and how CrossReach has been there for him throughout his life, visit:

[www.crossreach.org.uk/spring-appeal](http://www.crossreach.org.uk/spring-appeal)  
or scan the QR code.



The money you raise by hosting a CrossReach Spring Fling will help to provide invaluable support to people like Darren.





# Event Resources





# Face Painting Designs



# Bake Sale Signage

Print and cut out the below labels and write down your bakes and place in front of them.



# Bake Sale In Aid of

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# Quiz Questions

Level: Easy

Question	Answer
What month does Spring begin in the Northern Hemisphere?	March
What Christian feast day can take place any Sunday between 22nd of March 25th of April?	Easter Sunday
Every year, millions of tourists visit Japan during the springtime to admire which flower?	Cherry blossoms
What kind of animal delivers Easter eggs to children?	Rabbit
How long is the night time on the day of the Spring Equinox?	12 hours
The 1st of April is also known as what?	April Fool's Day
From March until May, the Keukenhof gardens in the Netherlands thrill visitors with their splendid fields of what kind of flower?	Tulips
Which BBC TV programme follows springtime wildlife in the UK?	Springwatch
What month does Spring end in the Northern Hemisphere?	June
What is a baby sheep called?	Lamb



# Quiz Questions

Level: Medium

Question	Answer
In North America, what bird is said to be the first sign of Spring?	Robin
Who is the Goddess of Spring in Greek Mythology?	Persephone
What adjective describes something as taking place in, or relating to, Spring?	Vernal
What star sign would you be if you were born on the 22nd of April?	Taurus
What is the name of the dinner that Jewish people eat on Passover?	The Seder
Which spring flower is commonly associated with Saint David's Day, which takes place on the 1st of March?	Daffodil
Which country does The Netherlands give 10,000 tulips each spring to thank for housing their exiled royal family during WWII?	Canada
Which US founding father reportedly came up with the idea for daylight saving time?	Benjamin Franklin
What event is held each May at the Royal Hospital Chelsea in London?	Chelsea Flower Show
What global holiday is celebrated on the 8th of March?	International Women's Day



# Quiz Questions

Level: Hard

Question	Answer
What was Spring called in England before the 14th century?	Lent
The date of Easter Sunday changes every year because it has to fall on the Sunday after what?	The first full moon after the Spring Equinox
According to an old wives tale, you'll have an uneventful summer if the first butterfly that you see in Spring is what colour?	White
How many petals does a snowdrop have?	6
What colour do revellers wear to celebrate the King of the Netherlands' birthday in late April?	Orange
What is the Spring flower <i>Myosotis Sylvatica</i> more commonly known as?	Forget-me-nots
Who wrote the poem 'Spring', which begins with the lines 'Sound the Flute! Now it's mute. Birds delight / Day and Night'?	William Blake
Which Spring flower's name comes from the French for 'lion teeth'?	Dandelions
What annual March event begins at Parnell Square and ends at Kevin Street Junction?	Dublin's St.Patrick's Day Parade
What flower might you be given by friends and family if you celebrated Labour Day in France?	Lily of the Valley



# Multiple Choice Questions - answer in bold

Who is the Goddess of Spring in Roman Mythology?

**A. Flora**

B. Aestas

C. Juno

D. Pulchra

Spring is when many animals wake up after hibernation. Which of the following animals does not hibernate during winter?

A. Tortoises

B. Chipmunks

C. Bats

**D. Pandas**

On Holi, Indians celebrate the end of winter by throwing what?

A. Flowers

B. Turmeric

C. Painted leaves

**D. Powdered paint**

Mayflies spend most of their lives underwater, emerging in late spring. How long does an adult mayfly live once it flies out of water?

**A. 1 - 2 days**

B. 4 days - 1 week

C. About 1 week

D. About 2 weeks

Which of the following spring flowers is not grown from a bulb?

A. Lilies

**B. Sweet peas**

C. Crocus

D. Tulips

Thai New Year, known as Songkran, takes place during which Spring month?

A. March

**B. April**

C. May

D. Changes each year

Which of these is a typical ingredient in hot cross buns?

A. Dried cranberries

B. Lemon zest

**C. Orange juice**

D. Chives

Which of the following animals gives birth during spring?

**A. Skunks**

B. Hedgehogs

C. Squirrels

D. All of the above

Where would you have to stand to see the sun pass directly above you during the Spring Equinox?

A. North Pole

B. South Pole

C. Northern Tropic

**D. Equator**

In which Spanish city does the Las Fallas festival take place every year on the 1st of March?

A. Barcelona

B. Bilbao

**C. Valencia**

D. Seville

# True or False Questions

In Australia, Spring begins on the 1st of September.	True
Labour day is the most celebrated non-religious holiday in the world.	False
According to a Facebook study, early Spring is when couples are most likely to break up.	True
Spring is the only season whose name is not based on a Roman God or Goddess.	False
The Great Sphinx was built facing the exact point where the sun rises on the first day of Spring.	True
In India, the rainy season usually begins in April.	False
If Punxsutawney Phil, the famous Groundhog Day Groundhog, sees his shadow, there will be an early spring.	False
It is impossible for Pancake Day to take place during the Spring in the UK.	True
In Spring, daylight saving time causes clocks to go forward by one hour.	True
Neoannophobia is the fear of Spring.	False



# Advertising

Promoting your event is crucial to get a good crowd to come along and avail of the wonderful work you have done. Hang posters in your local community a couple of weeks out from your event, if you have social media for your group pop up some posts with a countdown and ask others in your area to do the same.

Use the following poster provided and fill in the details individual to your event. Or feel free to come up with your own and make it more personal.





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## Fling Fundraiser

Help us raise vital funds to continue the wonderful work of CrossReach, supporting those who need it most in our community.



Help the



change grow

What will be there?

Where:

When:

