



60 for Sixty

To celebrate VSO's 60th anniversary, we've come up with 60 ideas to inspire your fundraising and get the ball rolling.

All the money you raise will go towards changing the lives of those who need it most, so whether it's as simple as a coffee morning with colleagues, or a fashion show with friends, we'd love for you to get involved.

Are you ready to take on the challenge?



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Dance-a-thon

Disco, zumba, jive, tap... whatever your style, challenge your friends to see who can dance for the longest.



Bucket collection

Pick a place and start collecting! Don't forget to ask permission or apply for permits.

3 Office Olympics

Choose a tournament of games you can play in the office, and challenge your colleagues.

Put on a film night

Why not choose a film based in one of the countries where VSO works?

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Hold a street party

Put up the bunting, get your neighbours on board and have a good old knees up.

6 Bingo

Get prizes donated by local businesses and then charge for each bingo game to maximise money raised.

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Run a masterclass

Share your skills with others, whether that's photography, yoga, knitting, or something entirely different!

Speed dating

Be a matchmaker and a fundraiser, all in one night!

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9 Head shave

Are you ready to brave the shave? If this is a step too far, why not dye your hair a kooky colour?



10 Jail and bail

Put your boss in 'jail' in a public area, and they're not allowed out until they raise a bail fee by calling friends and getting donations.

11 Spa night

Recruit volunteers to provide manicures or massages to friends.

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Game show fundraiser

Organise an evening of fun based on your favourite game show.

Organise a zombie run

Dress up in your spookiest gear and give your fellow park-goers a fright.

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Sports Day

Fun for everyone with egg and spoon, wheelbarrow and sack races.

Hugging booth

Sell your services as a world-class hugger.

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Who dunnit?

Organise a murder mystery event.

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Face your fears

Get sponsored to do something that makes your heart beat faster.

Dress down, dress up

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Try a mufti day at school, or a themed fancy dress day at work.



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Run for a reason

From a 5k to a marathon, there's a race to suit you. Pick your challenge and start training and fundraising.

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Sleep out

Bring some friends along for company and get sponsored to sleep out for a night.



Assault course

Raise the bar by creating your own assault course, use one in a park, or join an organised one.

Put on a gig night

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Get crafty

Organising a craft session is a great way to fundraise – what about tie dye, origami or decoupage?

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Pie eating competition

Probably the tastiest way to raise money for VSO..... try doughnuts, hot dogs or even chillies to mix it up.

Dare me

Get sponsored to do 60 dares, the sillier the better!

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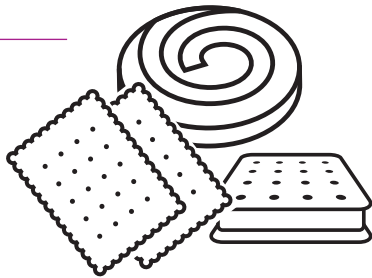
Bake Off

Sell off slices of cake once the judging is done. If you're up for a challenge, add a theme like animals, or cakes from around the world.

Set up a sweepstake

Why not tie this in with a big event like the Grand National, Football World Cup or Bake Off?

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Open a tuck shop

Who doesn't love a chocolate biscuit!

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Endurance challenge

Choose a challenge – it could be standing on one leg, holding on to a tree, or sitting in an ice bath – and see who can hold out for the longest. Get a prize donated, and ask participants to pay to enter.

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Super Bowl or World Cup screening

Sell snacks and charge entry for a quick and easy fundraising event.



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Dinner party

Add your own twist to make the evening extra special, like dining in the dark or wine tasting.

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Car wash

Grab a bucket and sponge and get scrubbing!

**Pet sitting or pet walking**

Offer to look after your neighbours' pets in exchange for a donation.

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Give it up

Be a little thrifty for 60 days, and once you're done donate the money you've saved. Why not try packed lunches instead of shop bought, cycle instead of taking the train, or cut out your coffee?



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Put on a ceilidh or barn dance



Wheelie good fun

Take on a cycle challenge like RideLondon or Land's End to John O'Groats.

37 Fancy footwear

Organise a 100m race in high heels or organise a sponsored slipper- or welly-wearing day.

Swim challenge

Do a sponsored swim! Swim 60 laps, swim in open water or take on a challenge like Swim Serpentine.

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Karaoke challenge

Step into the spotlight, with friends challenging you to perform whatever songs they choose – or organise street karaoke!

Organise a fashion show

Find event planning tips on vsointernational.org/fundraisingtips

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41 Become a postie

Make your own post box and deliver mail to your colleagues or fellow students, for a small donation. A simple Valentine's Day or Christmas fundraiser.

Host a themed party

How about '80s, Star Wars or Harry Potter themed?

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43 Race night

Host a race night and make money off bets placed.

Skydive

Experience the thrill of a tandem skydive, leaping out of a plane at 10,000 feet.

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"Organising the quiz was hard work but it was all worthwhile because the quiz night was so much fun and we raised loads of money for VSO, so they can continue doing great work. A brilliant result!" **Anna Blake**



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Organise an Easter egg hunt

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Bag packing

Ask your local supermarket to let you pack some bags for customers.

Sponsored silence

A perfect way to illustrate how so many of the people VSO help have no voice or no access to services.

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48 Quiz night

Find a friendly pub or hall, plan your quiz questions, throw in a raffle and raise loads of money!

Teddy Bears' Picnic

Not just for children! Grab a teddy and a cup of tea for a lovely afternoon.

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50 Skills auction

Ask your friends to donate their skills and auction them off!

Sponsored dog walk

A sponsored walk with a difference!

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5-a-side football

Organise a debate

Charge an entry fee, and then get debating! Why not choose a development topic?

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Happy Christmas!

Crack out the tinsel and re-create Christmas in the middle of summer.

Carol singing

Call up your most melodious mates and bring some festive cheer to commuters, shoppers or neighbours.

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56 Organise a comedy night

Fundraising can be funny!

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57 Create and sell a photo calendar

Host a board game tournament

59 Bake sale or coffee morning

60 day challenge

Choose an activity that you're going to do for 60 days straight, posting updates on social media as you go.

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Tell us what you're doing!

We'd love to support your fundraising, so please contact us for help getting started, fundraising advice and materials, or just to let us know what you're doing! enquiry@vsoint.org +44 (0)20 8780 7500 www.vsointernational.org

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