Odd Jobs Guide

Offering to do odd jobs around your local neighbourhood is a very easy fundraiser that doesn't require much time or preparation.

Getting ready for the event

- Your services - Have a think about what services you will be offering. A few examples include:
  - Car washing
  - Rubbish removal
  - Cleaning
  - Lawn mowing
  - Window cleaning
  - Guttering
  - Painting
  - Weekly shop
- Advertising - Promote your services by creating flyers and putting them through letterboxes in your area. If you have any local community groups, ask if they could advertise for you in their facilities and/or website. You could also create a Facebook event or post about your services on social media.

What you'll need

- This will vary depending on which services you decide to offer. If you need any charity event materials, please speak to your charity contact.

The important bits

- Be sure that you have the correct and appropriate equipment for the job.
- If working with tools or more dangerous equipment ensure that you have read up on how to use them safely and correctly.
- Ensure that a minimum of 2 people are present when counting up the money.
- Keep the money you raise safe and pay it in to MRF as soon as you can.

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Adam and Lii raised over £1,000 by doing odd jobs in their neighbourhood!

- Adam and Lii, Kilimanjaro

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Top tips

- It's a great idea to take pictures of yourself whilst doing the odd jobs so that you can share them on social media alongside your fundraising page.
- Get testimonials from people who have used your services to help encourage others to do the same!

On the day

- When doing odd jobs, it's a good idea to not charge an exact amount for your services and to instead ask for a 'suggested donation' of however much you think is appropriate. This means you are exempt from paying VAT, and will likely result in you getting a larger donation than asked for!
- Make sure you do any odd jobs to the best of your abilities. If you do a really great job, then people are more likely to donate more generously!

For more information contact fundraising@meningitis.org

Lucy raised £974 from her Christmas tree removal service!

- Lucy Meadows, Everest Base Camp

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