

Becci's Curry Night Guide

Becci organised a fantastic Curry Night that raised over £600 towards her London Marathon fundraising, read on to find out how she did it!

The important bits

- Be aware of alcohol consumption at the event and avoid promoting drinking. Make it clear that non-alcoholic drinks are available and make sure nobody under the age of 18 is consuming alcohol.



What you'll need

- Venue and food
- Charity buckets/pots to collect spare change
- Charity balloons/banners to decorate the venue
- Raffle prizes
- Jar of sweets and guess sheet
- Microphone (provided by restaurant)

Getting ready for the event

I found a venue that specialises in hosting charity events by searching online. Once I had the venue confirmed, I created a Facebook event and invited everyone I know. I took deposits from everyone and explained that tickets cost £20 for the Indian buffet and disco - with £12 covering the cost of the food/venue and £8 going to charity. I emailed lots of companies asking if they would help by donating raffle prizes, as well as asking friends/family if they had any unwanted presents they wouldn't mind donating. I also had a game of 'guess the sweets in the jar' to bring in a few extra donations in addition to the raffle, and I decorated the venue using MRF balloons and banners.

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Becci's Curry Night raised
an amazing £642.50!

- Becci Flynn, London Marathon

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On the day

- Get to the venue early to set up your prizes and any equipment
- Collect everyone's money up front for the meal and make sure all drinks are bought at the bar
- Recruit some friends and family to help you set everything up and sell raffle tickets etc.

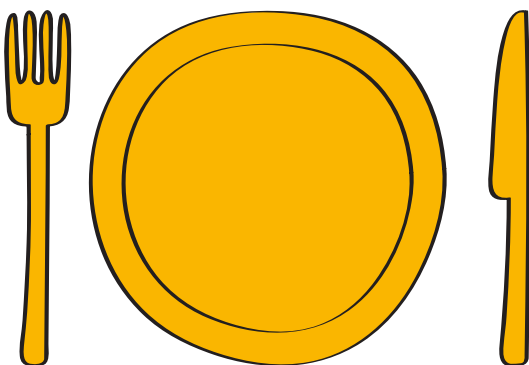
Post event

- Clean up and make sure you don't leave the venue in a messy state, you want to stay in their good books in case you want to use the venue again for future fundraisers!
- Thank your volunteers, the venue, and any businesses/individuals who donated raffle prizes, and let them know how much you raised thanks to their generosity and support



Top tips

- Add a raffle and some kind of game in order to maximise donations
- Get in touch with companies months in advance to allow time to collect prizes, and don't be afraid to chase them up if they don't get back to you initially!
- If you know anyone else who is fundraising for your challenge then you could double up and run the event together - double the people means double the money raised!



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