

## **END YOUTH HOMELESSNESS**



End Youth Homelessness (EYH) is a national movement of local charities that have joined forces to solve the UK youth homelessness crisis.

Our reach is unique; there is no other truly national charity representing homeless young people in the UK. Together with our member charities, we are preventing a spiral into homelessness by supporting over 30,000 16-25 year olds each year. Find out more about our member's work and ways to get in touch with them at the end of this pack!







## THE EVENT: HOW IT WORKS



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#### END YOUTH HOMELESSNESS IS EXCITED TO BRING BACK OUR GAMING FESTIVAL -BRINGING TOGETHER GAMING ENTHUSIASTS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY IN A BID TO LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD FOR HOMELESS YOUNG PEOPLE.

#### FOLLOWING ON FROM THE SUCCESS OF LAST YEARS EVENT WE'RE DELIGHTED TO BE BACK BIGGER AND BETTER IN 2023!

#### **HOW TO GET INVOLVED:**

- 1. Head to our <u>website</u> and get signed up (it takes less than a minute!)
- 2. Once you've got your fundraising page set up you can start planning your challenge
- and tell all your friends and family to get behind you!
- 3. Ready, Player One?

Whether you form a team, play solo, stream your marathon on Twitch, or just use it as an excuse to get the gang together - there are so many ways to play.



#### HOWEVER YOU GAME YOU WILL BE HELPING US LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD FOR HOMELESS Young People. Thank you!

FROM 12 - 25 FEBRUARY IT'S GAME ON TO END YOUTH HOMELESSNESS.

IN THIS PACK YOU WILL FIND ALL THE INFORMATION YOU NEED TO GET INVOLVED, RAISE MONEY AND HAVE FUN!

# PLAY YOUR WAY



## **CHOOSING YOUR GAME AND RALLYING YOUR PLAYERS**

#### TOURNAMENTS

Everyone loves a bit of friendly competition! Maybe you've got a work team full of FIFA fans or your friends are keen for Call of Duty, whatever the game - it's super easy to set up a tournament online. Charge a donation to join the tournament (suggested £10) and try and secure a prize for the winner (eternal glory aside!). If you are unsure how to set up a tournament, drop us a line and we can help you out.



#### STREAMING

Gaming for Good 2022 was supported by some amazing gamers whose streams helped to raise lots of money and awareness. If you are already a streamer, we'd love to feature on your platform - if not, maybe it's time to give it a go! Get fellow gamers and friends to watch you play, invite them to make donations and (if you're brave!) let them send across forfeits for you to tackle whilst you're there!

#### **CLASSIC GAME NIGHTS**



You can't beat an old school games night! Opt for traditional board games like Monopoly or Cluedo, team up and tackle Charades or throw a full on Casino night. Host at home, or see if your local pub or venue will lend you some space. Charge entry, try and secure some prizes and if you do choose to play for money please ensure you've checked out the handy advice on <u>GambleAware</u>.

## QUIZ

We're all pretty adept at quizzes by now - some of you may have even discovered the inner quiz master you never knew you were! A nice easy one that can be done at home or online and there's room to get creative with fun, interactive rounds (we love a <u>scavenger hunt</u> <u>round</u> to get the blood pumping!)





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## GAMING AT WORK

## **BATTLE OF THE BRANCHES**

Does your business have more than one branch? Or maybe you've got a handful of competitive teams all under one roof? Time to pit yourselves against each other in the name of Gaming for Good! Ask around to determine everyones favourite game, whether it's a board game, cards or on a console. Get set up for the ultimate in-office tournament and charge entry to help raise funds!



#### **GAME SWAP**

For those of you who consider yourself a bit of a gaming connoisseur, set up a 'game swap'; the gaming version of a book swap! If you've got a game that you think your office friend would love then why not send it them and they send one back to you. This could be scaled up to a gaming group, in which every week you review and chat about the game you've been sent. If you don't fancy a swap you can straight up sell games too. Or even organise mini-challenges and ask people to donate to play.

## FACE OFF

Oh how we've missed seeing each other in person! Now that we are (at least partly!) back to office life, challenge your colleagues to a gaming face off. Up the ante with in person games. Book a meeting room for the day with rolling games; miniature ping pong tables, plug in a console and hop on Mario Kart or dust off your chessboard to determine the ultimate gaming champion. You can charge entry and even make some extra money selling baked goods, drinks and treats in the room at the same time!

## **SPORTS DAY**

Fancy something a bit more physical for your gaming challenge? Go for a team Sports Day! Keep it classic and head to the local park with your sack and your egg and spoon. Better yet, there's plenty of sporting challenges already happening in February from the Winter Olympics to the Six Nations, host your own mini versions or for those that don't fancy a physical challenge, why not organise a sweepstake? Find out more about how to do <u>here</u>.









## FUNDRAISING

## HAVE FUN AND RAISE FUNDS!

#### LAST YEAR 122,000 YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE UK WERE HOMELESS OR AT RISK

Gaming for Good exists to bring people together. We want you to have fun, connect with friends and enjoy this event with us! Along with that, we also hope to raise the funds we need to continue delivering vital services to homeless young people across the UK.

We invite participants to raise a target of **£122** to represent the **122,000** young people who faced homelessness in the UK last year. This amount could pay for a 'move on' pack of household essentials such as a toaster, kettle or bedding to help a young person successfully move into independent living and towards a safe, happy future.

HOW DO I RAISE The Money?

SHARE YOUR JUSTGIVING PAGE AND ASK FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO SPONSOR YOUR EFFORTS

CHARGE PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN YOUR GAMES NIGHT OR TOURNAMENT

ADD FUNDRAISING ELEMENTS TO YOUR EVENT SUCH As forfeits, prize draws or on the night donations

#### **REMEMBER:**

Lots of fundraising happens on the day and the following days around your event: keep everyone up to date by telling them your experience and sharing pictures and remind them to donate.

Don't forget to say thank you! Remember to thank all your supporters! Using Facebook, Instagram, Twitter to thank people publicly can also prompt others to donate too. Post photos after the event to let them know how you got on.







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## QUICK AND EASY WAYS TO BOOST YOUR FUNDRAISING

#### **MAKE IT PERSONAL**

On registration a Just Giving page will be automatically created for you. All you have to do is personalise it - find Just Giving's top tips <u>here</u>



#### **BOOST YOUR DONATIONS**

Gift Aid allows charities to claim back the tax paid on donations made by UK taxpayers. Ask people to tick the Gift Aid box on your sponsor form and we can claim back tax and increase their donation by 25%.

#### LINK YOUR TWITCH

Connect your streaming account to your fundraising page so people can watch and donate easily. Use our frames as a background to let everyone know what you are doing. <u>Here</u>'s a link that shows you how.

#### **SPREAD THE WORD**

Use your email signature, social media and Teams chat to share the link to your page. Give everyone live updates during your stream on Twitter or Facebook. Simply download our marketing assets <u>here</u> for you to use.

#### ASSEMBLE YOUR Gaming Crew

Raising funds is better with friends! Invite yours to get involved, whether they join your event or host one of their own. The more the merrier.

#### **MATCHED FUNDING**

Check if your company will match your sponsorship - a quick and easy way to double your money with no extra effort.



£14	COULD COVER THE COST OF RUNNING A COOKING/ SKILLS SHARE SESSION, TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE HOW TO COOK HEALTHY AND DELICIOUS FOOD ON A BUDGET
£20	COULD PAY FOR A YOUNG PERSON IN OUR HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SERVICE TO RECEIVE ONE HOUR OF DEDICATED SUPPORT FROM A SUPPORT WORKER
£30	COULD FUND A MEDIATION SESSION WHICH ALLOWS A YOUNG PERSON TO BUILD FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS AND STAY AT HOME SAFELY
£121	COULD BUY A 'MOVE-ON' PACK OF HOUSEHOLD ESSENTIALS, SUCH AS A TOASTER, KETTL ETC TO HELP A YOUNG PERSON SUCCESSFULLY MOVE ON TO INDEPENDENT LIVING





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#### Don't forget to SHARE YOUR CHALLENGE

Tag @EYH\_UK so we can see what games you have chosen to tackle and don't forget the all-important streaming selfie!

Add your Just Giving page link to your social bios so it's as easy as possible to signpost people to support you.

Remember to use #GamingForGood to stay up to date across all our social media channels.





I'm taking part in #GamingForGood for @EYH\_UK. Simply by gaming, we can raise money and awareness for homeless young people across the UK. Whether you are a fortnite fiend or a super scrabbler, we can all do our bit for this important cause. Set up your own event via the link in my bio/ below].

I've smashed my fundraising target for End Youth Homelessness! Thank you to everyone who helped me raise £X. This will help @EYH\_UK continue their vital work supporting vulnerable young people into housing, education, employment and training. #GamingForGood

TILL

Will you help me reach my #GamingForGood target by donating via the link [in my bio/below]? I'm trying to reach £122, the amount it costs to equip a young person with all new-home essentials. I'm almost there!

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## THANK YOU



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