



**fundraising ideas and challenges
for young people**

SIFA
fireside

Birmingham, You're not alone

Put the **fun** in fundraising this year at school, and support people who are experiencing homelessness in our city. . .

SIFA Fireside runs the main day-centre for people who are experiencing homelessness in Birmingham.

Fancy doing a bit of research?

www.sifafireside.co.uk

Take a look at these fundraising ideas for you and your classmates to get involved in, and make a difference to vulnerable people in our community.



We can all take things for granted at times. For someone who is experiencing homelessness, simple acts such as grabbing a **lemonade**, charging your **phone** or popping to the **shops** are not so easy.

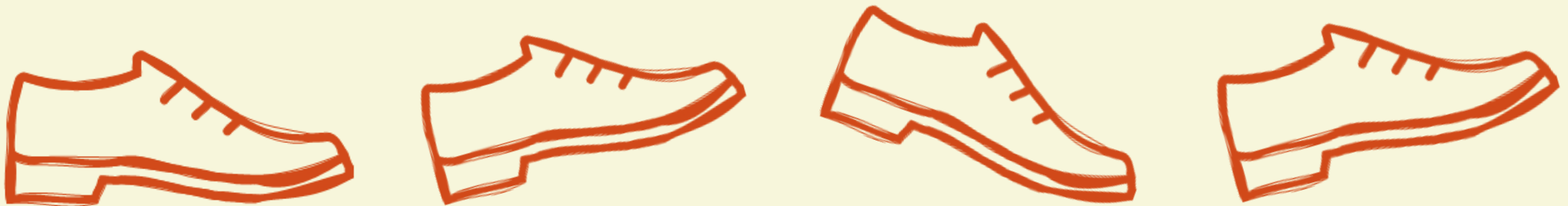
Give up a simple daily activity, habit, or luxury that you may take for granted...

Get your family and friends to sponsor you and see how long you can go without it!

try quitting these...

- Your Playstation
- Social media
- Fizzy drinks
- Your favourite snack

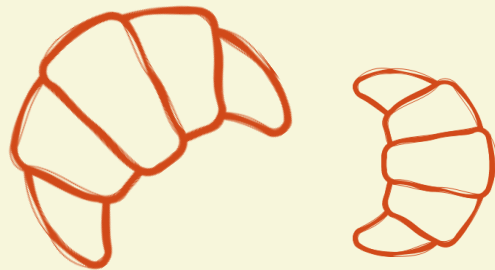
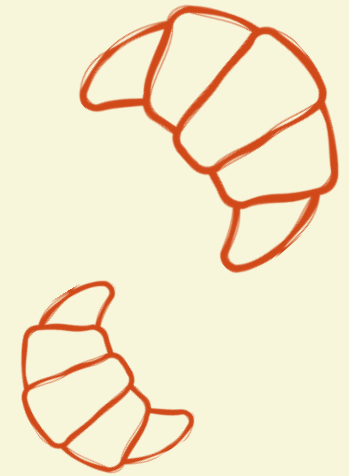
in my shoes



At SIFA Fireside we serve up to **500** breakfasts every week to people who are experiencing homelessness in Birmingham, costing roughly **47p** per meal.

Help us cook up these breakfasts by hosting your own with your friends at school...

Bring in some pastries, juices and pop the kettle on. Invite your classmates to come and enjoy the morning treats... in exchange for a donation towards our breakfast at SIFA Fireside.



the breakfast club

try this...

- Start a regular breakfast club
- Choose a theme for each event
- Arrange some activities to do alongside your breakfast events... book club, crosswords, charades?

We get through a whopping **2,600** tins of beans at SIFA Fireside each year

bean-o-lympics

Organise a bean themed sports day, and donate the tins to SIFA Fireside. It's a win-win!

on the day...

- Get everyone at school to bring in a tin of beans
- Organise your bean themed sports day with **prizes** for the winners
- Take lots and lots of pictures to share with the SIFA team
- Ask your teachers to arrange a bean delivery to SIFA Fireside!

some fun ideas for your bean games...

- build a bean tower
- bean tin relay
- bean tin shy
- egg and bean race
- roll a bean tin (who can roll the furthest?)



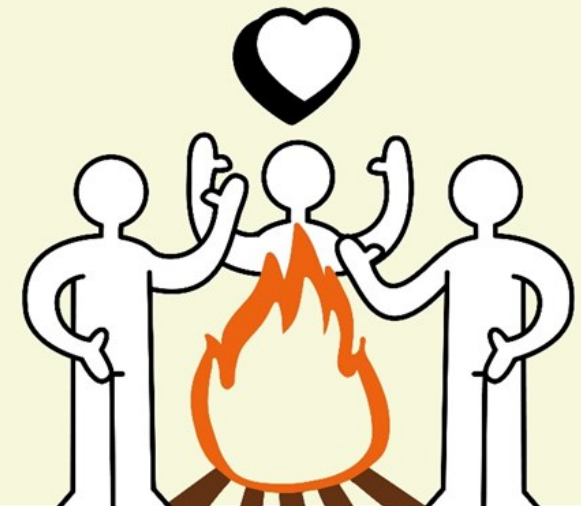
Loneliness is one of the biggest issues facing people who are experiencing homelessness.

At SIFA Fireside we offer our clients access to art workshops, job clubs, literacy classes, table tennis groups and much, much more, allowing them to express themselves and helping to combat isolation.

try this...

- Book club or film club - pick a book or film to watch and discuss with your classmates
- Board game club - a nice way to spend a lunchtime
- Brummie appreciation club - get together to research and learn about our city's history or create some art inspired by Birmingham.

club together



walk the distance

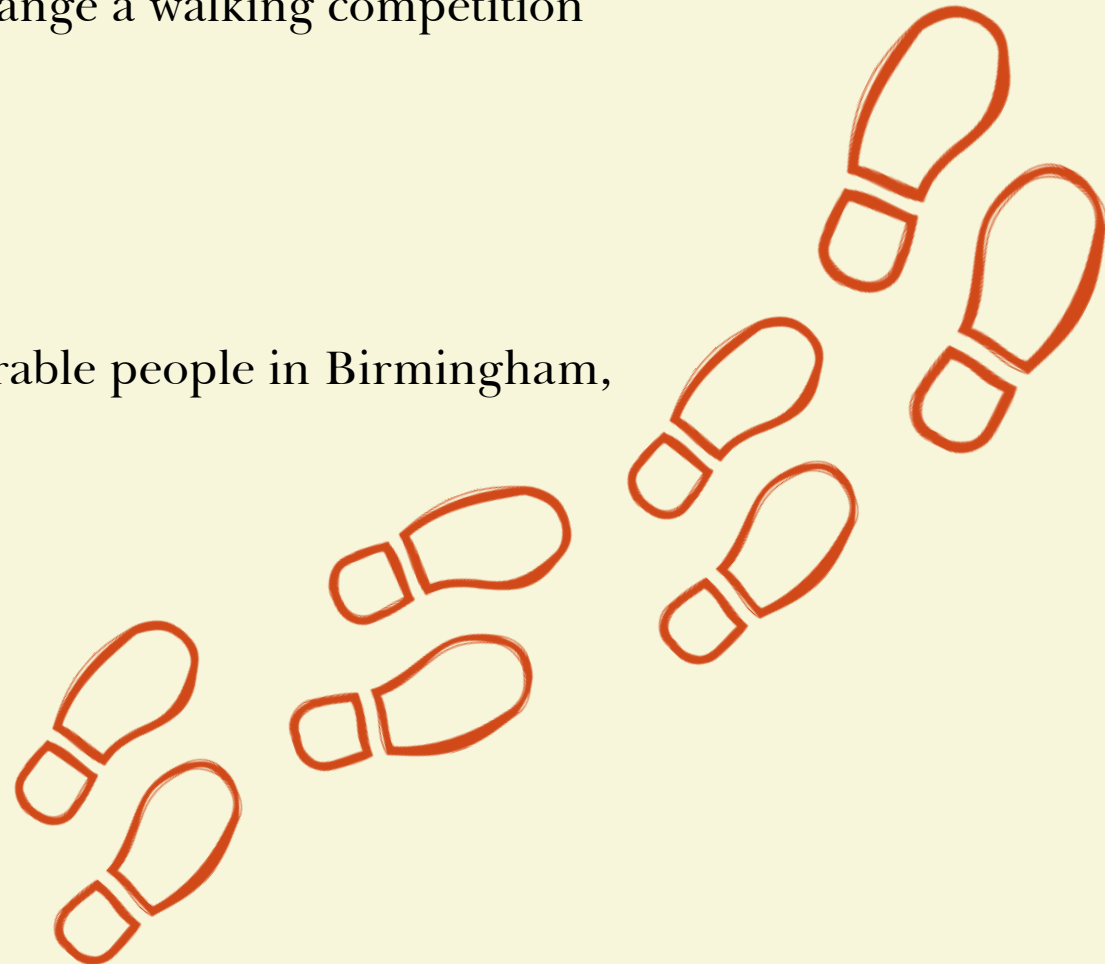
Someone who is experiencing homelessness can walk between **12** and **20** miles per day.

Set a target and make up the miles with your friends at school.

You could set up a sponsored fundraiser, or arrange a walking competition with entry fees and a prize for the winner.

good for us and good for you...

Not only will this activity raise money for vulnerable people in Birmingham, it will keep you happy and healthy too.



a good deed

Our organization was founded upon a **good deed**. Back in the 80's one incredible woman started up SIFA Fireside with just a cup of tea and a biscuit and the determination to bring kindness to her city.

Get crafty at school and make a booklet of good deed vouchers.

You can trade them for cash with family, friends, neighbours or teachers...

with the money going straight to SIFA Fireside.



it's nice to be nice . . .

- Make breakfast for your family
- Wash the car
- Arrange a litter pick in your neighbourhood
- Bring in flowers to brighten the classroom

Ever fancied locking your teacher in the classroom? Why not do it for **charity**...

It can be difficult to raise the money for the simple things in our Support Centre, such as keeping the heating on or paying the electric bill. Set your sights high, and get your teachers (or Headteacher!) to raise enough money to keep our Support Centre warm and bright for a month.



the lock in

This fundraiser will appeal to any teachers that reckon they enjoy a challenge. Students will barricade the teacher in their classroom or office until they have managed to raise a target amount.

How they achieve their goal is up to them, but if they want to make it home for dinner, they better get creative!

the birmingham colour palette

The generous **Draw My City** gifted SIFA Fireside the use of their brilliant **Birmingham colour palette**.

What a great excuse to get colourful at school!



Get your classmates to dress up in the colours of our vibrant city... you can arrange prizes for the closest colour match or for the best palette.

facebook fundraisers...

Get pictures of your school's colour palette onto facebook and post with a **donate** button for SIFA Fireside.

A fundraising classic. Ask your classmates to take a guess at the number of sweets in a jar.

A small donation goes a long way... and the winner gets to keep the sweets!

count me in

or count this...

- Books in Birmingham Library
- Beans in a tin
- Spots on the Selfridges building



An estimated **274,000** people are experiencing homelessness in the UK

1 in **96** people are experiencing homelessness in Birmingham



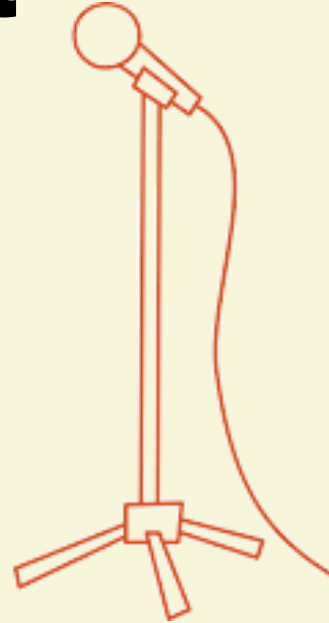
SIFA Fireside see up to **100** people each day at their Support Centre



birmingham's got talent

Host a **talent show** or a **comedy night** for parents and teachers... donate their entry fees to help SIFA Fireside continue supporting people experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness.

This is a great way to get the school together for some fun... and fundraising!



show off your talents...

- Make up a dance routine
- Perform a poem
- Grab a guitar and cover your favourite song
- Or be courageous and try out some stand up comedy...

For any further information or to arrange a visit to SIFA Fireside
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