

Hear how other volunteers like you have benefitted from using easyfundraising to fundraise towards their expedition

Hannah, Uganda 2015 and Ecuador 2017



I went to Uganda in 2015 and then Ecuador in 2017. I've used easyfundraising to help me fund both trips.

I signed up to easyfundraising in 2014 to raise funds toward my month long volunteering expedition to Uganda with Camps International. The account was easy and quick to set up - the difficulties came with explaining the service to my family members, who are definitely not tech-savvy...

It's definitely true that the majority of funds came over Christmas time, with the help of the donation reminder which prompted my family and I to use it! My best donation has been from someone ordering a new dishwasher online; it is these one-off, expensive buys that make a big difference to fundraising since most small items only raise a few pennies.

I therefore would definitely recommend using easyfundraising to others. Even if you don't make a lot, it's money for nothing and besides - every little helps! My one piece of advice would be to advertise your cause to as many people you know as possible to benefit the most from easyfundraising.

Emily, Cambodia 2015 and Ecuador 2017

Hi! I used easyfundraising for my school expedition to Ecuador in 2017. I went to Cambodia with Camps in 2015 and felt like it would be a little cheeky (for want of a better word) to ask the same family members and friends again; therefore, I set up an easyfundraising account, probably only about a week after deciding that I was going to Ecuador. I found the website really easy to navigate as it has multiple drop down tabs, plus a separate, secure section for money and personal bank account details. Plus, they have a pop up reminder so that when you go onto a website that you can raise funds on, it tells you,



which is really helpful. I put a (quite long) post on Facebook asking people if they wanted to sign up and 13 people did!

I found that the time when the most funds were raised was before Christmas and in Feb/March time. Before Christmas as, obviously, people were doing their shopping online; in Feb/March as people were booking their summer holidays. I think a large part of my total came from holiday companies such as P&O Ferries and Thomson Holidays!

I would recommend easyfundraising to all fundraisers; it is free for use and therefore accessible to everyone. I raised over £700, which was almost 1/5 of the total cost of the trip! I would advise others to set up their account in good time, so that over their fundraising period they can make the most of such a good opportunity.

Joanne, Parent, Peru 2016



When my daughter came home from college and said she would like to go with Camps International to help in Peru, I was worried about raising the cash, but we were behind her all the way! This was November 2014 and we had £4170 to raise by July 2016. I had used easyfundraising before so I looked into setting up an account for this cause. We were thrilled to learn that we could use this to help with the fundraising. The site is easy to use and signing up to easyfundraising was simple and quick. Once the account was opened we spoke to/emailed/text family and friends and explained how it all worked. People were skeptical at first but once we explained that it was all at no cost to them, many of them came on board. I even set up accounts for some family, set the toolbar to remind them to use easyfundraising and then gave quick a lesson in how to raise funds.

Easyfundraising is a really easy way to raise cash without thinking about it. In this day and age virtually everyone shops online and each purchase helps. In some cases, it's only a small amount received but it all adds up. Obviously lots of donations came through in the run up to Christmas and then when Christmas was out of the way and people were thinking about booking holidays we emailed friends asking if they would consider booking online via easyfundraising and two people booked raising approximately £75.

I would definitely recommend easyfundraising to other fundraisers. Once everything is set up, it doesn't take any organising. Every so often easyfundraising would email with various tools and offers to help with fundraising. A couple of the incentives helped us to raise quite a lot of cash. We were sent email links and for every fundraiser who signed up listing a new cause, we were donated £1 and a second link offered a referral bonus! We raised £140 through the referrals and £305 in total over approximately 18 months. There's also an app so that you can keep an eye on how things are going and search for participating retailers. The one piece of advice I would give would be to set it up as soon as possible to give yourselves the best opportunity to raise cash and to keep reminding friends to use it. Keep an eye on the emails that easyfundraising send as they are designed to maximise your donations.

Amy, Borneo 2015

I went on expedition to Borneo for a month in 2015. I raised funds using easyfundraising which was very simple to set up and they had easy sign up links which you could email to friends and family, tweet about or post on Facebook. It was mainly me and my parents who used easyfundraising to help build up my funds, but I also posted on social media which also got me donations – I particularly like the donation reminder which you could use and was a very easy way of raising funds as it reminds you when you land on an easyfundraising retailer site. If you get everyone you know to use it, it is such a good way for them to all help you and know that they've played their part in the fundraising process.



I personally thought that easyfundraising was a fabulous tool and would be especially good if you can get everybody using it to do their regular and Christmas shopping.

I was helped exclusively by 3 people and so imagine what you could do if it was all your family and friends using it!