



22 SEPT GIVING 2020 DAY[®]

Tuesday 25 February

Launch Breakfast

Learn more about City Giving Day 2020, find out what The Lord Mayor's Appeal are planning and how your company can build on the foundations of last year.

Friday 28 February

Deadline for City A.M. inclusion

Register by 28 February and be included in the first City Giving Day recently joined list in City A.M.

Thursday 30 April

Deadline for inclusion in the

Stock Exchange draw

Register by 30 April for an opportunity to join the Lord Mayor at the London Stock Exchange on City Giving Day to open the markets. Names will be drawn from a hat.

Tuesday 12 May

Engagement Breakfast

An opportunity to learn what other companies are planning this year and how you will be supported in the build up to City Giving Day 2020.

Thursday 2 July

Engagement Breakfast

Another opportunity to hear from some of the other companies taking part this year and to share ideas.

Thursday 3 September

Countdown Breakfast

Your final opportunity to hear from some of the other companies taking part this year and leave with top tips and a checklist to help you make the most of your City Giving Day.

Tuesday 22 September

City Giving Day

Starting with a photocall for all registered companies at Guildhall Yard.

Date TBC

Thank You Reception

Our opportunity to say thank you to this year's participants and to celebrate the great things you have achieved.





HOW TO **RUN AN ACTIVITY**

TOP TIPS



- · Decide what you want to achieve
- · Speak to your charity partners about joining forces to celebrate with you
- · Internal communication is key put together a plan on how to engage staff
- · Set up a rota of volunteers
- · Maximise staff participation through identifying 'champions' in each department
- · Think of activities that are fun and engaging - brainstorm ideas with colleagues
- · Engage your employees with an activity they enjoy and tie in your charity work





- · Send a message from the top of your organisation about why the company is supporting City Giving Day and what it means to give back
- · Ask your charity partner(s) to promote your work and City Giving Day through social media, their own newsletters, etc.
- · Start early use all available communications channels to engage as many volunteers as possible



- · Take lots of photos
- · Use social media to promote what you're doing
- · Don't forget to Gift Aid any donations
- your chosen charity will receive 25p extra for every £1 given.
- · Have fun!

RESOURCES



Once you've registered to take part in City Giving Day, you will be able to benefit from a range of resources and support.

- · Regular newsletters key dates, top tips and sharing what others are doing.
- · Invites to a series of information breakfasts hosted by the Lord Mayor.
- · A dedicated support line and email address.
- · Website with top tips and downloadable materials.
- · Opportunity to link up with other companies for collaboration or advice

TEMPLATES

- · An internal communications template that can be used on your intranet, emails or newsletters.
- · A downloadable City Giving Day poster to help raise awareness in your office.
- · A downloadable template for submitting your stories for PR
- · Our downloadable City Giving Day logo and artwork that can be used for your own personal branding.
- · Downloadable 'Proud to...' posters.

MATERIALS PACK

All companies that register for City Giving Day will receive a participants' materials pack which includes:

- · 25 x branded balloons
- · 1 x proud to support certificate

Companies willing to cover costs can also order pop up banners, t-shirts and selfie frames.





SHARE YOUR STORY

City Giving Day is all about celebrating and promoting charity and community work in the City.

Starting with the launch on Tuesday 25 February and running through to City Giving Day itself, City A.M. will cover some of the best stories of City philanthropy and volunteering, sharing the great activities that companies are planning.

We will also share your stories on our website, through The Lord Mayor's Appeal social media channels, and seek out opportunities across the media.

To tell your company's story, go to our website lordmayorsappeal.org.uk/cgd, register for City Giving Day, and download our City Giving Day stories template.

Through your stories we can show the world that together, we are making a difference.

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USEFUL ORGANISATIONS

There are a number of organisations that can help with corporate volunteering projects, including:

Do It: www.do-it.org

Timebank: www.timebank.org.uk

City Action: www.city-action.org

CAF: www.cafonline.org

Benefacto: www.benefacto.org

ELBA: www.elba-1.org.uk





If you're organising a sponsored fundraising event for City Giving Day, it's worth setting up an online sponsorship account with companies like JustGiving or Virgin Money Giving - this makes collecting sponsorship money really easy and your sponsors can opt in for Gift Aid too. Gift Aid allows UK charities to claim back the basic rate tax already paid on donations by the donor. This means charities can claim back 25p for every £1 donated from the government, boosting the value of the donation by a quarter.

FAQs



Q. Do we have to register to take part?

A. Yes, By letting us know you are taking part we can support you with your activities and include you on our roll of honour and other PR activities - joining you up with the rest of the City so that together we can create a much bigger impact.

Q. My company isn't in the Square Mile, can we still take part?

A. Absolutely! We recognise there are many businesses outside of the Square Mile doing a lot of good for their communities and we are happy to share that story. All you need to do is register online.

Q. Can I collaborate with another company on the day?

A. Yes, the day is all about uniting the City and we would encourage businesses to join up to celebrate the good they do. We already know of some companies who are organising this between themselves.

Q. How do we make a donation?

A. Donations can be made by cheque, BACS or credit card - for more details visit thelordmayorsappeal.org/donate

Q. Can the Lord Mayor come to visit our office?

A. The Lord Mayor would love to visit every business taking part, but there are not enough hours in the day! If you **register before 30 June** you will be entered into a draw to win a visit from the Lord Mayor, Lady Mayoress, Sheriffs or Aldermen. You will be informed by the end of August if you have been selected for a visit

Q. Do we have to fundraise for The Lord Mayor's Appeal?

A. No, however, as a charity ourselves, we would welcome a small donation to The Lord Mayor's Appeal.

If you have any further questions please contact the CGD team at cgd@thelordmayorsappeal.org or 020 7332 3177



