

# The **HAVEN**

## Festive Fundraising Pack



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  TheHavenCharity



The Haven Caring Counselling Communication Centre  
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# About The Haven

**The Haven is an award-winning Scottish charity formed in 2001 to improve the overall quality of life for adults, children & young people, families, and carers affected by life-limiting illness and bereavement.**



"After our last session, I've been thinking a lot, and I feel like I'm in an okay place just now. I won't say 'good', as I still have days that I miss Dad like crazy, but I can handle that a wee bit better now, largely due to our previous conversations." - **The Haven Client**

## Get festive and support The Haven

**At some point throughout your life, it is very likely that someone you love will be affected by a life-limiting illness.**

**We want to make sure if that happens, both you and your loved ones are supported to help make your journey a little less daunting.**

**To ensure that Haven support services are sustained for the future, we need your help to raise essential funds so we can continue to help those who need our support most.**

**By raising funds in aid of The Haven, you are helping us with our mission of improving the overall quality of life of adults, children & young people, families and carers affected by a life-limiting illness and bereavement.**

**Whether you fundraise in aid of The Haven by organising an event/activity or donating funds - this will make a significant positive impact on the lives of our clients, some of whom may be facing difficult times.**

**Please use this Festive Fundraising Pack to help give some ideas and inspiration on how you can help sustain Haven services and support families affected by life-limiting illness by raising funds. We also have lots of resources to help you in your fundraising activity.**



**Whatever you do this festive season, please help support The Haven!**

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# Easy Fundraising

**Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shopping, booking a holiday or ordering Christmas presents - you could be raising free donations for The Haven with easyfundraising?**



**There are over 4,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation including eBay, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S. There are no extra costs and no hidden catches so it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds**

**All you need to do is:**

- 1. Go to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/thcccc/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/thcccc/) (or scan the QR code) and join for free and select The Haven as your chosen charity.**
- 2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.**
- 3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to The Haven at no extra cost to you whatsoever!**



**You can also raise funds while you shop on the go with the easyfundraising app. Available to download from the [App Store](#) or [Google Play Store](#).**

# Christmas Cards

Did you know that we have our very own Christmas e-cards which you can send directly to friends, family and loved ones and donate the cost of a stamp directly to The Haven?

Every donation that we receive contributes directly to the support we provide to individuals, families and carers affected by a life-limiting illness and bereavement.

We have a range of Christmas, Birthday, Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Valentine's Day cards and many, many more!



For more information or if you would like to buy one of our e-cards, please visit:

<https://www.dontsendmeacard.com/ecards/charities/the-haven-caring-counselling-communication-centre>

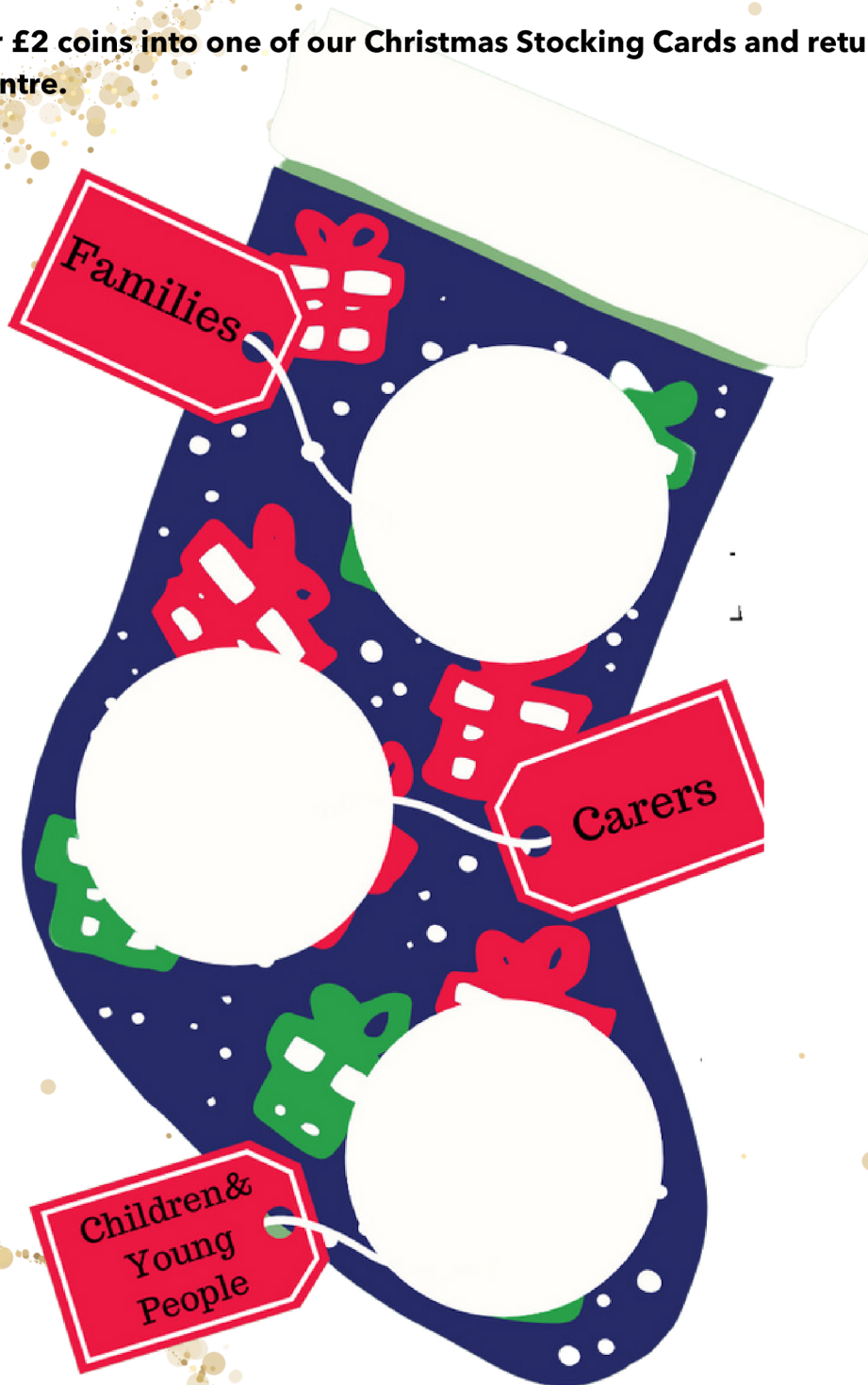
or scan the QR code below:



# Christmas Stocking

With just three £2 coins, you can fill a stocking and help support The Haven this Christmas!

Simply place your £2 coins into one of our Christmas Stocking Cards and return it to your nearest Haven Centre.



If you would like a printed copy of our Christmas stocking, please get in touch by emailing: [events@thehavencentre.com](mailto:events@thehavencentre.com).

# Festive Bake Sale

Join in on the spirit of giving this festive season by hosting your very own Festive Charity Bake Sale in aid of The Haven!



This could be organised at home, in your workplace or school/college and will not only bring people together to enjoy delicious home-baked treats, but also supports The Haven in our mission to provide meaningful and uplifting support services to individuals, families and carers affected by life-limiting illness and bereavement.



Whether you decide to go for something traditional like a Christmas Pudding or if you prefer cupcakes, cookies and cheesecakes, turn your delicious festive creations and goodies into meaningful contributions and help to make this season a little bit sweeter and brighter for those who need our help most.

# Gift Wrapping Party

**Ho, ho, ho! If you would like to help support a local charity this festive season, you could organise a Gift Wrapping Party and raise essential funds for The Haven.**



**Gather friends, family and neighbours for a heartwarming event where everyone can showcase their wrapping skills while raising funds for a meaningful cause.**



**Set up a festive space with wrapping paper, ribbons and tags and invite attendees to bring their gifts for a small donation in exchange for beautifully wrapped presents.**



**You could even offer seasonal treats, play cheerful music and encourage a friendly gift-wrapping competition to add to the fun!**

# Festive Quiz Night

'Tis the season for giving and what better way to spread joy than by organising a charity Festive Quiz Night and inviting friends, family or people in your area to join in a night filled with festive cheer and trivia fun!



Whether hosted in the cosy confines of your home, the welcoming atmosphere of a local pub or the heart of a community centre, a Haven Festive Quiz Night is the perfect opportunity to raise funds.



Create merry memories, challenge minds with jolly quizzes and make a difference together this holiday season. Let the spirit of giving and friendly competition bring warmth and generosity to all involved!



# Festive Movie Night

Celebrate the festive season and support a worthwhile cause like The Haven by gathering friends, family and loved ones for a heart-warming charity Festive Movie Night!



Whether snuggled up at home, transforming a community centre into a winter wonderland or partnering with a local cinema, an event like this promises festive cheer while raising important funds to help us continue supporting individuals, families and carers across Lanarkshire and beyond.



Set the scene with twinkling lights, festive snacks and a variety of beloved Christmas films. Ask attendees for donations, sell tickets and create an enchanting atmosphere where the joy of giving meets the magic of the movies.

# Wreath Making

Get into the holiday spirit and support The Haven and the people we support by organising a festive Christmas Wreath-Making event!



Gather friends, family and community members for a creative and charitable gathering at home, in a community centre or a local venue.



Provide materials like wreath bases, foliage, ribbons and decorations. Help participants through the art of wreath making, while encouraging donations or charging a fee to take part. Share helpful tips, spread seasonal cheer and allow everyone to craft their own unique masterpiece to take home!

# Festive Talent Show

Local community members, workplaces or schools and colleges can all come together to host a Festive Talent Show whilst supporting a local worthy cause.

The show could be a platform for local talent to shine, with performances ranging from singing, dancing and stand-up comedy to magic tricks and more.



Participants can team up and compete against each other with support from the audience and all united in the spirit of giving.



Each attendee could make a small donation to The Haven and help us in our mission of continuing to provide free, practical, emotional, wellbeing and bereavement support to those affected by a life-limiting illness. Such a magical event would not only bring the community together but also bring light to those who need it the most.

# Festive Fitness Challenge

As the festive season approaches, what better time to gather friends and family for a Festive Fitness Challenge that also benefits an important local cause. You could host a virtual 5K run, a daily yoga challenge or see who can cycle to and from The North Pole at your local spin class!



Set a fundraising target, and encourage friends and family to take part and enter for a small donation. You could even offer prizes or incentives for top fundraisers, or contact your local gym to find out if they would sponsor the event.

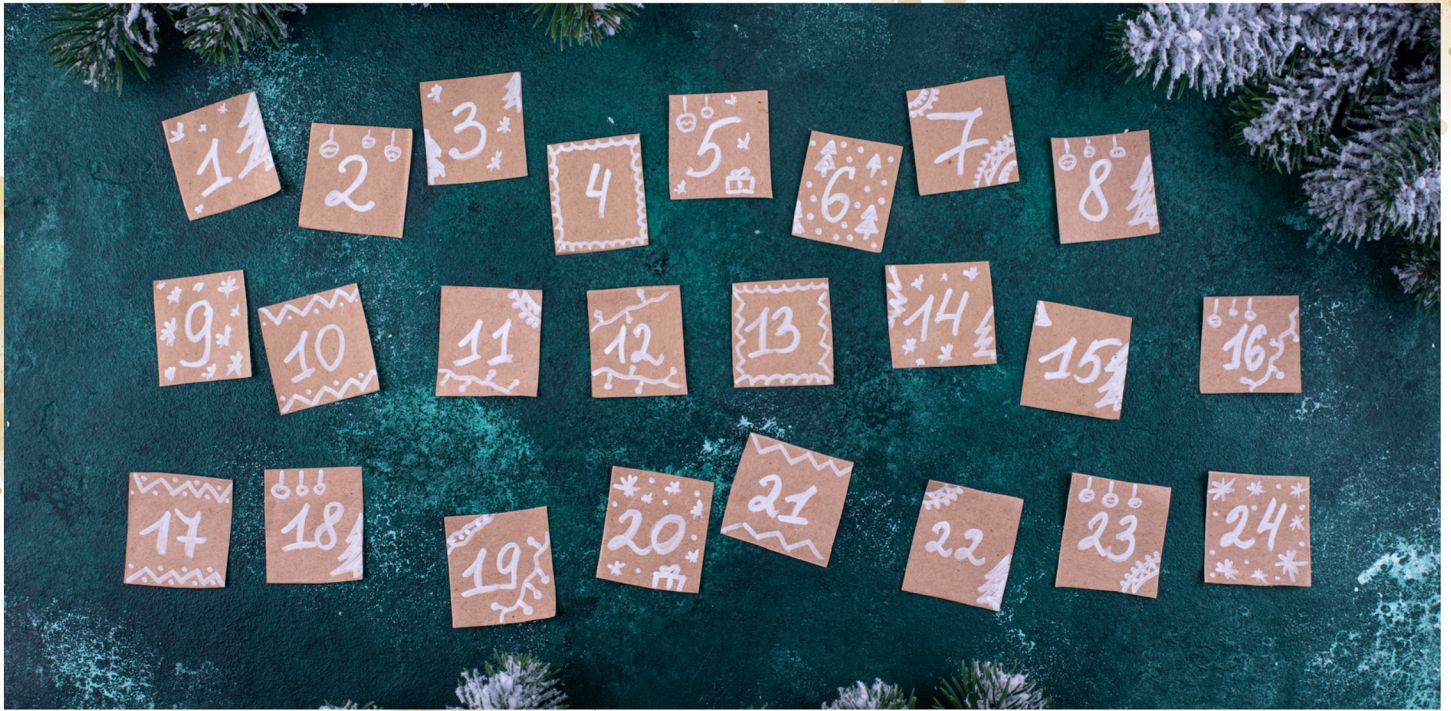


With a little bit of planning and a lot of heart, this festive fitness challenge can make a meaningful impact to The Haven and for those we help support.

# Advent Calendar

Turn the joy of counting down to Christmas into a fundraising giving opportunity with a **Donate-Every-Door Advent Calendar!**

Create a charitable twist by encouraging family, friends and work colleagues to contribute a small donation each time they open a door on their advent calendar.



Whether it's a traditional calendar with chocolates or one they have made at home, each door opened can spark generosity and support for The Haven.



This simple act of giving during the festive season not only adds a meaningful touch to the countdown but also makes a significant impact on the clients we support by raising vital funds in aid of the Haven.

# Festive Bake Off

'Tis the season for sweetness and giving! Host a delightful Christmas charity bake-off at home, work, college or school to raise funds in aid of The Haven. Encourage bakers of all levels to whip up their best festive treats - from classic gingerbread to decadent yule logs.



Create a friendly competition by judging the creations or simply let the delicious goodies speak for themselves. Participants can either donate their baked goods or sell them to raise funds for The Haven.

An activity like this helps to bring the community together through the joy of baking and generosity, spreading warmth and support to those in need during the festive season.

# Secret Santa

Elevate the joy of giving this holiday season by incorporating a charitable twist to the beloved tradition of Secret Santa!



Encourage participants to donate all or a portion of the money they would usually spend on gifts to support The Haven.



Whether in the workplace, among friend or within a community group, this thoughtful gesture allows everyone to contribute to The Haven's cause.

# Christmas Jumper Day

Get ready to jingle all the way for a charitable cause by organising a festive Christmas Jumper Day at work, school or college in aid of The Haven!

Encourage everyone to dust off their most cheerful, quirky or downright dazzling Christmas jumpers.



Participants can donate a small fee to flaunt their festive fashion, spreading joy and raising funds for The Haven.

Add to the excitement by holding a competition for the most creative, outrageous or ugly jumper, bringing laughter and holiday spirit to the forefront.



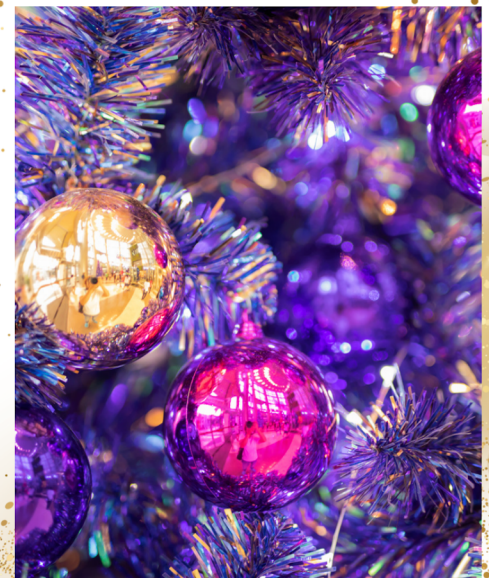
# Tree Decorating Competition

**Unleash your festive creativity and goodwill by hosting a Charity Tree Decorating Competition and help support The Haven in the process!**

**An activity like this invites individuals or teams to showcase their ornamentation skills on themed trees.**



**Participants can enter by making a donation or paying a fee, encouraging friendly competition and supporting a local charity like The Haven.**



**Take photographs, and share your beautifully decorated trees or decorations on social media and ask friends to cast their votes for the most enchanting, imaginative or heart-warming decorations.**

# Pet Costume Competition

**Celebrate the holidays with furry friends by hosting a Charity Christmas Pet Costume Competition!**



**Whether it's Santa Paws, reindeer or elf costumes, invite pet owners to dress up their adorable companions in festive attire. You could even organise the event in a local park, community centre or online and encourage participants to make a donation or pay an entry fee to support the Haven.**



**Capture the festive cuteness with photos or videos and invite the community to vote for their favourite festive pet. This fun-filled event not only spreads cheer but also raises important funds in aid of The Haven.**

# Winter Warmer Soup

Nothing beats the winter chill like a hot bowl of delicious homemade soup!

If there's someone in your office or workplace who is at wizz at throwing soup together, why not host your own Winter Warmer Soup Charity Event and help raise funds in aid of The Haven?



You could arrange to bring your delicious soup into the workplace and instead of eating out for lunch, ask everyone to make a small donation and give the money raised to The Haven and to help the lives of those affected by a life-limiting illness and bereavement.



Whether it's classic chicken noodle, potato and leek or a classic hearty veggie broth - soup brings everyone together!

# Christmas Karaoke

**Christmas is a time for giving and what better way to spread some festive cheer by organising a charity Christmas Karaoke Night and raising funds in aid of The Haven?**



**Whether it's at home, at your community centre or in your local pub or bar, gather friends, family and people in your area to join in on an afternoon/evening of fun, festive, karaoke singing! You could charge a small entry fee and donate some of the funds to The Haven.**

**A Christmas Karaoke Night is not only a fun way to celebrate the festive season but also helps bring The Haven a step closer to making a positive impact on the lives of those we support who are affected by life limiting illness and bereavement.**

# be informed

We rely on the generosity, aspiration and commitment of the local community who help raise funds in aid of The Haven.

All funds we receive significantly contribute to the running costs of our three centres, employing a specialist team of Nurses, Co-ordinators and Wellbeing Practitioners to deliver our services and purchasing wellbeing toolkits for adults, children and young people to supplement the support they receive.

We want to be as open and transparent about the funding we receive and outline how much of an impact your contribution makes to our charity. Here are some examples of how fundraising helps The Haven:



*The Haven needs the enthusiasm, imagination and energy of the community and local businesses more than ever to help us continue providing vital support services to our clients. Every single donation helps us to support families affected by life-limiting illnesses and bereavement.*

*If you feel inspired to help The Haven, there are several different ways that you can support us. To be involved and learn how you can help support The Haven by making a donation, raising vital funds or partnering with us, please contact a member of our Community Fundraising team:*

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**Thank you and Happy Holidays!**

