Depending on the inspirED project you choose, you may need to raise some money. Here are some suggestions for fundraising.

**AUCTION**
Your inspirED team can host an auction for almost anything! Gather the community at your school to bid on student art, items donated by people from school or local businesses, or even naming rights to school property like benches, engraved plaques, or rooms.

**BAKE SALE**
This is a classic, tried and true fundraiser! Ask students and staff to bring in baked goods and sell them during lunches or other times of the school day. Be sure you receive administration’s approval to host something on campus!

**CANDYGRAMS**
Offer candygrams for sale around holidays. Try candy hearts for Valentine’s Day or candy corns for Halloween, and sell them to students and staff to send to others at school or take home for their families! You can also offer balloons for birthdays or other special occasions!

**COOK-OFF OR BAKE-OFF**
Host a culinary event where contestants bring home-cooked foods like pies, cakes, cookies, or chili! Sell tickets for attendees to try samples and vote for their favorites. Ask your principal and inspirED educator advocate to be the judges!

**COUPON-BASED FUNDRAISERS**
There are many organizations that will offer coupon-based fundraisers for services like restaurants, movie theaters, car washes, and other local businesses. Your inspirED team can buy the coupons at a bulk price, and when your customers buy the coupons or cards, they receive discounted prices. Everyone wins!

**CROWDFUNDING**
Your group can make an account on a crowdfunding website and use social media to ask members of your school community and beyond to support your cause. You may be surprised how many family members and friends will want to support your inspirED team in your work!

**DUCK RACE**
Sell rubber ducks, each marked with their own numbers. Have a race down a local river and give a prize to the owner of the fastest duck!

**HAT DAY**
With your administrator’s approval, host a fundraiser where students and staff at your school get to wear a hat in exchange for buying a ticket to Hat Day! You can also try this idea with something else (within reason) that is against your school’s dress code, like PJs, jeans for teachers and staff, or dress down if your school has a uniform.

**PRODUCT-BASED FUNDRAISERS**
Many schools have existing partnerships to sell various products like candles, desserts, flower bulbs, doughnuts, wrapping paper, popcorn, and even mattresses! Check to see if your school has done any of these fundraisers in the past and if your inspirED team can host a product-based fundraiser.

**RAFFLE**
Try a raffle for donated prizes, or even a 50/50 raffle (the winner gets half the money and your team gets the other half). All you need are some tickets!
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Your inspirED team can order fundraiser scratch cards and give them to as many students as possible. Each student takes their card and find supporters who will agree to scratch off a space and donate what the space says. Most cards have spaces ranging from a few cents to a few dollars. Students collect the money and turn it in with their cards.

WISH DAY
Whatever students in your school wish they could do for a break from classes, ask your administrator to offer it for a price! If your school raises enough money, see if the principal will let students have their classes outside, have a school-wide snowball fight, or decorate the outside of the building with chalk.

HOST A DANCE
School dances are a great way to make money! Find a student who will volunteer to DJ, ask a couple teachers to chaperone, pick a fun theme, reserve a space, and sell tickets and concessions.

JAR GUESS
Put some countable object into a jar, like jelly beans, beads, or candies and charge people to guess how many there are. The person with the closest guess gets to keep the jar with all its contents!

OFFER YOUR SKILLS
Organize an event where the inspirED team will perform tasks for the community like washing cars, wrapping presents, raking leaves, or weeding. You can even offer to make copies for teachers, decorate their doors, or help with deep classroom cleaning!

ORGANIZE A PERFORMANCE
Everyone loves talent shows, comedy shows, and karaoke! Host a performance at your school and sell tickets for students and their families. You could also host an athletic tournament between classes, or see if the faculty will play students in a sport and sell tickets for everyone to come watch.

PARTNER WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES
Many businesses offer fundraiser packages. Check to see if a restaurant, bowling alley, sports arena, or other business has a profit-sharing program for schools to fundraise.

PENNY WARS
Get your school in the competitive spirit by sponsoring a Penny War! Each classroom places pennies into a container in their classroom, and the class with the most pennies wins - but that’s not all! Students can sabotage other classes with silver coins and paper money - putting a nickel into another class’s container would cancel five pennies, and putting $5 into another class’s container would cancel 500 pennies. Ask your principal to buy the winning class a pizza party.

PIE IN THE FACE
Students can nominate a few teachers or other faculty members to enter a pie in the face contest! After you make sure that each staff member agrees to participate, assign a container to each contestant and tell students they can “vote” for the person they want to see pied by putting money into their container. The contestant who raises the most money in their container gets pied in the face! This fundraiser also works with just one contestant who sets a dollar amount that must be raised before they will agree to being pied. It doesn’t have to be pies either- the contestant(s) could dye their hair, wear their PJs for a day, kiss a pig, or agree to another challenge that your inspirED team picks!