

Fundraising & Volunteering — How You Can Help Others

- Volunteer with an organization. Help with mailings, answer phones, or use computer skills to create brochures, enter data, or develop newsletters and websites.
- Donate money made from selling products or services such as magazines or candy.
- Serve meals to those in need.
- Create window decorations for a building.
- Help build a community project (such as a house, playground, or park).
- Volunteer at an animal shelter.
- Raise a seeing eye dog.
- Donate clothes, toys, and household items to charitable organizations.
- Get sponsorship for a charity event.
- Work at a fundraising event such as a pancake breakfast, spaghetti dinner, car wash, bake sale, craft sale, or pledge drive.
- Collect items for a charity such as school supplies, pennies, or canned food.

Biz Kid\$ is the fun, fast-paced public TV series that teaches kids about money and entrepreneurship. Produced by the team from *Bill Nye the Science Guy*, each half-hour of **Biz Kid\$** features young business owners who share their success stories. Whether it's a skateboard designer, a candy store owner, or a hip-hop music producer, the kids on the series inspire young viewers to use credit wisely and be smart with their money. Along the way, kids learn about saving, budgeting, investing, and giving back to the community.

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Let's Go!

Tips for Kids
Who Want to
Start A Business

Starting a business is a great way for you to learn about money and have fun.

Let's Go...

- **Consider Your Interests** — Create a list of skills you have or things you enjoy doing.
- **Set Goals** — What do you want to accomplish? You may be most effective if you work on setting your goals with a trusted adult.
- **Ensure Your Safety** — Check with an adult about the equipment required, the skills needed, and the people you could be meeting to be sure you will be safe.
- **Start Out Small** — Discuss your business idea with family and friends and learn from their reactions and feedback.
- **Market Your Idea** — Promote your business by talking to people about it and by advertising. Make a poster or flyer.
- **Evaluate Your Progress** — After a few weeks or months, ask yourself if your business is meeting the goals you set.

Business Ideas — Services You Can Provide

- Take pictures or videos of pets or kids or of an event such as a family reunion.
- Wrap gifts; decorate houses for holidays.
- Teach or use computer skills for data entry, word processing, or for creating brochures, posters, and websites.
- Teach music lessons or tutor students.
- Babysit or be a parent helper.
- Teach swimming or be a lifeguard.
- Pet sit, walk dogs, or wash dogs.
- House sit or take care of plants.
- Provide a cleaning service such as vacuuming and washing floors. Or, organize garages, attics, and cabinets.
- Wash cars, decks, houses, porches, windows, patios, and driveways.
- Run errands. Grocery shop, then carry and put away food.
- Deliver newspapers.
- Paint or stain houses, decks, rooms, fences, or furniture.
- Mow lawns, rake leaves, or shovel snow.
- Assist a neighbor who needs help.
- Entertain: be a clown, musician, or magician at kids' birthday parties.
- Collect and return returnable bottles.

Business Ideas — Products You Can Sell

- Design and make products to sell such as:
 - Baked Goods or Homemade Candy
 - Baked Pet Foods
 - Bird Houses & Feeders
 - Decorated T-Shirts/Hats
 - Frames
 - Greeting Cards
 - Holiday Decorations
 - Jewelry
 - Key Chains
 - Purses
 - Soap & Candles
 - Starter Plants for Gardening
- Buy and sell used bikes or toys.
- Create a stand to sell lemonade, sodas, juice, food, flowers, fruit, vegetables, or worms for fishing.
- Sell items at a farmers' market.
- Organize a yard sale.
- Sell clothes through a consignment shop.
- Write a newsletter or magazine to sell.
- Sell used books, DVDs, or CDs to local stores or through a website with adult help.

