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Years

Garden party



Garden Party Fundraising Pack

Thank you for hosting a Great Garden Party for Thrive. Sharing your garden and love of gardening with others is a wonderful thing to do and we hope you will be one of many people holding garden parties this summer to help Thrive.

This may be the first time you have thought of holding a garden party let alone fundraising for charity, we hope this pack will provide all the inspiration you need and some practical help too. We are here to help you make your garden party a success, email us with your plans via fundraising@thrive.org.uk

About Thrive

Thrive relies on public donations to support our work and the funds you raise for Thrive at your garden party will be used to help more people use the power of gardening to improve their lives.

Thrive is a gardening-for-health charity that has 40 years of expertise in therapeutic gardening.

We have three centres in Birmingham, London and Reading where we run Social and Therapeutic Horticulture (STH) programmes for people aged from 14-70 with a wide range of defined needs. These can include physical disabilities, learning difficulties, autism, poor mental health, chronic breathing difficulties and people recovering from long term conditions such as strokes.

With STH we use plants and gardens to improve physical and mental health as well as communication and cognitive skills. The garden is a safe space to develop someone's ability to mix socially, make friends and learn skills that will foster independence.

As well as our three centres, we provide STH sessions via community outreach in places such as care homes, hospitals and schools and last year we delivered 10,000 sessions in total.

Thrive also provides an information service to help people get the most out of gardening for their health and wellbeing, assisting 3,000 people over the last year, and we're the UK leaders in STH training.



Planning your garden party

When?

Please choose a date and a time that suits you.

How big?

Big or small, it's up to you - invite a few family and friends or ask the whole street. The important thing is that you've decided to help Thrive.

Fundraising

The simplest thing to do is to ask your guests to donate to Thrive when they attend. You could boost your funds by offering refreshments, running a raffle at the event, or tombola, or an auction, selling plants or offering extra activities like face painting. If you need advice, we can help!

Invitations, posters and collection boxes

You can also download invitations and posters from our [website](#). If you don't have access to a computer and printer, please call us on 0118 988 5688 and we can send you a supply; if you need more collection boxes please call.

Have a safe garden party

We want your event to be fun and enjoyable for all your guests but please be careful to make sure everyone who attends is safe and acting within the law.

People who cannot attend

If people can't come to your garden party, they may want to help you by making a donation to Thrive instead, there's a form on the reverse of their invitation or they can [donate online](#)

Gift Aid - make donations worth even more

Thrive can ask the Inland Revenue for an extra 25p for every £1 donated by UK tax-payers, and it doesn't cost you a penny more. Use the form enclosed, photocopy more blank forms if necessary and encourage people to fill in their details at your event. We need each person's home address details as well as yours, as the organiser, to be able to claim.

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Share your party photographs on social media

If you're on Twitter or Facebook, do share your party photographs using the hashtag #getgardening and we'll share them with Thrive's followers.



After your event - sending in the funds you have raised

Please don't risk sending cash through the post. You are very welcome to bring the proceeds to Thrive at Beech Hill, we are open 9-5, Monday–Friday, when you arrive please ask to speak to a member of the fundraising team.

Or

Please make a cheque or postal order payable to Thrive and send it to:

Thrive
The Geoffrey Udall Centre,
Thrive,
Beech Hill,
Reading
RG7 2AT.

(there is a remittance form enclosed with this pack)

Or

Telephone Thrive on 0118 988 5688 to pay by credit or debit card.

We accept Visa, MasterCard, Switch and Maestro cards; please tell us you are paying in funds for the Thrive Garden Party when you call.

Or

Pay through online banking – our bank account details are as follows

Address: National Westminster Bank, 5 High Street, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 1DH

Sort Code 51-81-22

Account number 90474201

Account Name: Society for Horticultural Therapy TA Thrive

Please quote Thrive Garden Party as a reference.

Or

Donate through our website at www.thrive.org.uk/donate mentioning 'Great Garden Party'.

Please let us know your name and address so that we can acknowledge your support.

**Questions? Call Thrive on 0118 988 5688
or email fundraising@thrive.org.uk.**

Donation record and Gift Aid Form



Organiser's name:

Organiser's address.....

Postcode

If you're a UK taxpayer, you can use Gift Aid to increase the value of every £1 you donate by 25p. Please read the declaration below, and then fill out your name, home address and postcode, along with the total you have donated.

Finally, simply tick the Gift Aid box.

*Thrive fully complies with the Data Protection Act (1998) and respects your privacy and will not pass you details onto any third party.

Gift Aid Statement

I want Thrive to treat all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise, as Gift Aid donations. I understand the requirement is that I must pay an amount of income tax or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax deemed to have been deducted from this donation.

PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY (PLEASE PHOTOCOPY THIS PAGE IF YOU NEED TO)

Full name	Address with postcode	Donation amount	Gift Aid? (Y/N)	Date



Donation and gift aid record continued

Full name	Address with postcode	Donation	Gift Aid (y/n)	Date





Remittance form



Name

Organiser's address

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..... Postcode.....

Phone number:..... Email Address:.....

Date of my garden party.....

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Thrive
Bank: National Westminster Bank
Sort code: 51-81-22
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Cheque/Postal Order/Cash enclosed for £

I have donated £ via the website

I have made a BAC transfer of

Feedback:

Please tell us why you decided to support Thrive with a Garden Party

[Empty rectangular box for feedback]

