



**Marathon** 

**Fundraising Toolkit** 



## We're changing the world through education.

Since its founding in 2008, Pencils of Promise (PoP) works to help create a world where people everywhere feel empowered through high-quality educational opportunities, adequate tools to promote good health, and school-based emotional and social support to self-actualize.

We identify communities with a high need for investment in school infrastructure.

PoP is a global community that believes everyone deserves access to quality education.

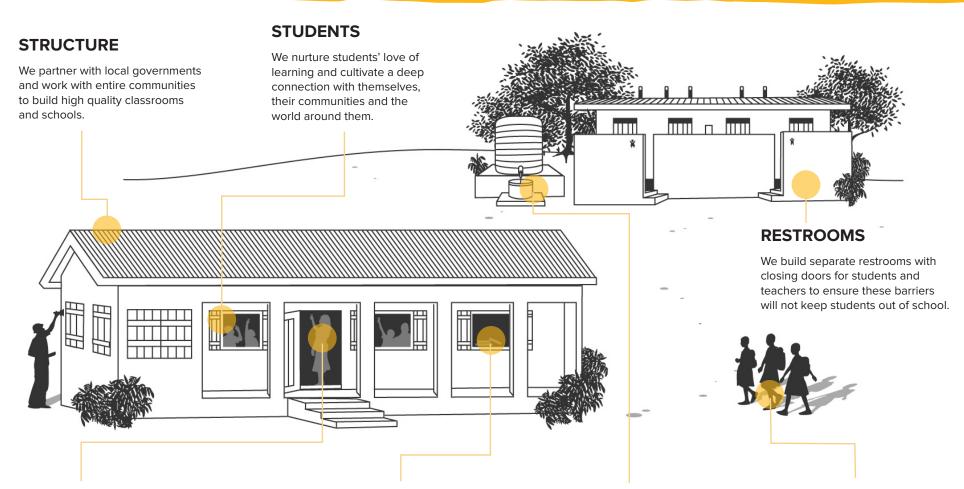
Watch our Documentary

PROMISE YOU

Run time: 20 min



### **What We Do**



#### **TEACHERS**

We provide Teachers Support to teachers including training, coaching, materials and ongoing support to increase their comfort and enhance their skills in the classroom so children receive high quality education.

#### **RESOURCES**

We provide learning materials and resources to create vibrant classrooms where learning is engaging and fun.

#### **CLEAN WATER**

As part of our Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene education programming (WASH), we provide water filters so while in school, students can drink fresh water from a safe source.

#### **MENSTRUAL HYGIENE**

As part of our WASH programming, we destigmatize menstruation through educational training for girls, boys, and community members as well as provide resources and lessons to create reusable menstrual products.

# Fundraising Tips and Strategies



#### **MAKE IT PERSONAL**

Personalizing your campaign page with photos and your why behind running for PoP and quality education



#### **BE COMMITTED**

Donating to your fundraising page to show your commitment and inspire others



#### **GET CREATIVE**

Leverage your hobbies as a way to increase your fundraising efforts (host a game night, teach a class, dedicate your birthday or another personal milestone, challenge your community to donate X dollars for every mile you'll be running, etc.)



## ENCOURAGE YOUR COMMUNITY TO DOUBLE THEIR DONATION

Does your company offer a matching gift opportunity? Additionally, encourage your community to find out if they do so their donation can create double the impact

## **Communicating Your Marathon Fundraiser**

#### SHARE IT ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Share your journey via socials - take your community along throughout your training and ask them to support along the way. Be sure to include a link to your fundraising page that is easily accessible for those that want to contribute

#### BE AUTHENTIC

Share your passion for PoP's mission and what connects you to the impact when sharing your fundraising efforts with your community

#### SPREAD THE WORD

Encourage your community to share your story and fundraising efforts with those in their network

#### **PUT IT EVERYWHERE**

Add the link to your email signature, your dating profile, your church bulletin, wherever you think might see it

#### **SAY THANK YOU**

Be sure to thank your supporters with a personalized note (and send a follow up to all those that contributed to your efforts after you complete the marathon, be sure to include photos if you can)



## Sample Messaging

#### **EMAIL COPY:**

Dear Friend,

I'm excited to share that this year, I have decided to participate in the [X] marathon to support global education. I am joining Pencil of Promise's (PoP) marathon team, an organization that empowers communities through education and believes that every child should have access to a quality education.

Together with PoP, I'm supporting safe and healthy learning environments for students in Ghana, Guatemala, and Laos. I invite you to join me in supporting students around the globe and follow along on my journey to race day!

Please consider donating to my marathon fundraising today (link page here). As I push myself to complete the race, I look forward to the incredible impact we can have on the students and communities that PoP serves. Every contribution can make a difference, and I appreciate your support in this endeavor.

Thank you for your support!

Best regards,

[Your name]



#### **SOCIAL COPY:**

I'm running the [X] marathon to create quality education opportunities for students and communities across the globe with Pencils of Promise - please consider supporting my marathon fundraising today! (link page here)

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I'm halfway to my fundraising goal for [X] Marathon! Support Pencils of Promise's investment in quality education by donating to my campaign: (link page here)

The [X] Marathon is just [#] weeks away and I still need your help to support safe and healthy learning environments for students in Ghana, Guatemala, and Laos. Please consider donating to Pencils of Promise via my marathon fundraiser today (link page here).



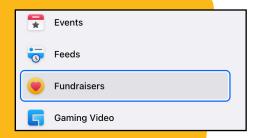


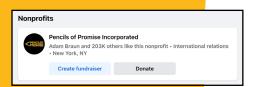
## How to Start a Facebook Fundraiser

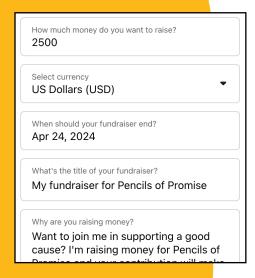
Starting a Facebook fundraiser has never been easier. With nearly 3 billion active monthly users, Facebook is a great place to raise money and make an impact.

In addition to its accessibility, this platform's larger user base means your campaign has the potential to reach a wider audience. You can easily share your fundraiser with your network of followers, who can then donate and share with their network and so on.

Follow these four steps to start a Facebook fundraiser:









LOG INTO FACEBOOK

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To create a fundraiser on Facebook, visit <u>facebook.com/fund/pencilsofpromise</u> or, if already logged into Facebook, locate Fundraisers through the Menu.

SEARCH FOR A NONPROFIT
Click 'Select nonprofit' and search for Pencils of Promise.

MAKE IT YOUR OWN
First, add a title for your fundraiser.

Next, fill in basic information about your fundraiser. This is where you let friends and family know why you're raising funds for Pencils of Promise.

Then, you can add a cover photo. Be sure to preview the details of your fundraiser and make sure all information is correct before publishing. That said, you can edit later, as needed.

SHARE YOUR FUNDRAISER

This is where you and your network come together to meet your fundraising goals. After your campaign has been established, be sure to:

- Invite Facebook friends
- Share on your newsfeed and in group Facebook pages
- Share a link to your fundraiser page on other social media channels

## The Impact of Your Donation



Provides toothbrushes & toothpaste to 41 students



Provides Water, Sanitation & Hygiene workshops to 12 students



Provides Social Emotional Learning manuals to four classrooms, impacting 121 students



Provides water filters to 110 students



Provides handwashing stations to one school, impacting 170 students



Provides teaching and learning materials to 1 school, impacting 11 teachers and 347 students

## **Helpful Links**



**POP LOGOS** 

<u>Download Here</u> >



**SOCIAL COVER PHOTOS** 

<u>Download Here</u> >



**POP IMAGES** 

<u>Download Here</u> >



### **Contact Us**

Our support doesn't stop with this toolkit. The PoP team is here to help and to answer any questions you have.

#### **CONTACT US**

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