

# BeyondAutism supporters draw, dunk and dance their way to over £6,000 for the 2.6 Challenge

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The coronavirus pandemic is estimated to cost UK charities £4 billion. BeyondAutism's supporter base have been taking part in different challenges in order to raise vital funds during this time. The 2.6 Challenge was set up by the organisers of the London Marathon to help charities make up for the enormous deficit in income they are seeing from the cancellation of mass participation or challenge events.

At a time when we should be hosting our largest fundraising event of the year (our annual Quiz Night) the community spirit that has been shown has been astonishing. We've seen many people from the local community take part as well as local businesses. What's more, the support of our learners, their families and staff members has been incredible – one of our youngest learners took part in a 26 minute Take That karaoke singathon!

The impact of this crisis is likely to have a huge impact on our sector and the funding available for charities like ours. The generosity of our supporters is something we're extremely grateful for. To see a short highlights package of all of the weird and wonderful things our supporters did to raise money please click here and to read about the different challenges people attempted take a look at our campaign page. if you need any further information, please contact Pippa Day, Senior Fundraising Officer, on pippaday@beyondautism.org.uk.

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