

EconEdLink: Twenty Money Making Ideas for Young Persons

1. **Bike repairs**—Fix other people’s bicycles. Buy used bicycles, fix them up and sell them.
2. **Birdhouses and feeders**—Make and sell birdhouses and feeders.
3. **Birthday parties** – Do magic tricks, be a clown, provide games, decorate, blow-up balloons, make gift bags, or clean up after the party
4. **Firewood** – Gather and stack wood for people who have fireplaces and wood stoves.
5. **Fishing worms**—Dig or grow worms for people who like to fish
6. **Fruits, vegetables and herbs**—Grow and pick food to sell.
7. **Decorations** – Decorate other people’s using their lights and decorations. You can also take them down after the celebration
8. **Jewelry**—Make earrings, necklaces, pins or bracelets.
9. **Mailing service** – Put labels and stamps on flyers mailed by a local business or organization
10. **Office assistance**—Make copies, staple papers, inventory supplies, etc.
11. **Painting** –Paint or stain decks, fences and outdoor furniture.
12. **Paper-route fill-in**—Cover the paper delivery routes for kids with full-time routes who are on vacation.
13. **Plants**—Grow and sell flowers or other garden plants
14. **Plant sitting**—Care for the plants of people who are on vacation.
15. **Plastic buckets**—Gather, clean and sell plastic buckets that are used to deliver food to local restaurants.
16. **Potpourri** – make a sweet-smelling gift for Valentine’s Day or birthday gifts
17. **Recipe books** – Collect recipes and publish them in a book.
18. **Singing Telegrams** – Write and sing messages for special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries and to say get well.
19. **Stuffed toys**—Make stuffed toys for babies
20. **Yard and garden work**—Pick up trash, rake leaves, trim grass, pull weeds, etc.