

Once upon a time... On Christmas Day In 1985, we launched the charity Comic Relief from a refugee camp in Sudan.

It's something of a grower... In 1988 the first Red Nose Day raised £15 Million. In 2009, you helped to raise over five times that figure!

Your cash is hard at work... Red Nose Day money is currently at work in 25 countries across Africa, as well as all four nations in the UK.

We're big on the box... The Red Nose Day TV show always proves to be a big hit for BBC One. In 2009 it attracted 12.7 Million viewers.

With a little help from our friends... Our corporate partners have so far raised over £70.6 Million for Red Nose Day since 2001.

We love our Facebook fans... In 2009, over 200,000 people became a fan of the Red Nose Day Facebook page!

We've had a lot of top tunes... Our first single, by Cliff Richard and The Young Ones, went straight to No 1 in 1986. Since then we've had 21 singles, 12 of which have topped the charts.

A lot of celebrity support... In 2009, when nine of our famous friends spent eight days climbing Kilimanjaro, they raised over £3.5 Million to help tackle malaria.

And don't forget the kids... Over 20,000 schools and Early Years groups across the UK participated in Red Nose Day 2009, and raised millions.

We're right up your street... Wherever you live in the UK, you're more than likely to be within 30 miles of a project supported by Comic Relief.