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**Feminist
Film night**





We're here to help you organise your film night and make it a **huge success**. Every penny you raise means we can provide vital, life-changing support to women in abusive relationships.

Get in touch at fundraising@womensaid.org.uk and we'll offer you all the support you need.

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Choose the right films for your fundraiser. Will it be a movie marathon, or will you have a theme for the evening and get everyone to dress up? If you're stuck for ideas we've got some great suggestions on the next few pages for brilliant films to choose.

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Decide on the logistics. Pick a venue to screen your movie night, it could be a meeting room at work or a room above a local pub. Try and source it for free, so that you don't have any costs! If you're having it at home, you could take your TV or projector outside to create an open-air cinema.

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Get the invites out! Whether it's a gathering of your close friends at home, a lunchtime event at work or a public event at a community hall, getting the word out and getting the date in peoples diaries is key. Let everyone know the time and venue to meet and the recommended donation to attend. Setting up a JustGiving page makes it easy for people to give - and they might also be encouraged to give more if you set a target. It can also help publicise your event too!

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On the night. To get the full movie experience, why not make our popcorn cartons out of card? The template is at the back of this pack. People could pay a bit extra in donations for a carton.

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Send in your donation. If you've set up a JustGiving page the money will automatically come to us. If you have been raising money offline, you can update your JustGiving page to include this money. Or you can use our [Paying In Form](#) if you'd prefer.

Our film picks

Not sure what film to choose? We've got you covered! Here are some of our absolute favourites.

Wild

It's the book-turned-movie that inspired women everywhere to pack up their belongings and hike 1,100 miles along the Pacific Crest Trail, solo style. *Wild*, starring Reese Witherspoon, will inspire you to create change in your life. What's more empowering than that?

Thelma & Louise

There's no greater movie about sisterhood than *Thelma & Louise*—a landmark feminist film about two women on a road trip. Watch it with your friends for fun, then analyse it with your friends for even more fun. (And FYI, this film launched Brad Pitt's entire career, so you're welcome, Brad Pitt.)

Promising Young Woman

Trigger warning: Sexual assault. Director Emerald Fennell and actress Carey Mulligan confront rape culture, toxic masculinity, and trauma in *Promising Young Woman*. Mulligan plays a barista-vigilante out for vengeance for the college campus rape of her best friend. The film will enrage you, but it is also incredibly empowering and cathartic.



The Colour Purple

Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel materialized on screen in 1985 and became an iconic feminist film that withstands the tests of time. Whoopi Goldberg plays Celie, a Black southern woman who has suffered (and survived) years of abuse and finds strength within herself and through her female friends.

Bend It Like Beckham

An aspiring soccer player whose family refuses to let her participate in the sport because she's a girl - naturally, she proves everyone wrong, falls in love, and subverts expectations in the process. This film was also written, directed, and produced by a woman of colour, Gurinder Chadha.

Hidden Figures

"Inspiring" is one of the most over-used words in existence, but it's hard to think of a more apt way to describe this biographical drama about three black mathematicians at NASA. That many people had never heard this story before the film's release is a true testament to how often women—and especially women of colour—are sidelined in our history books.

Legally Blonde

Anyone who doesn't think this is a feminist movie isn't paying attention. Taking the ditzy blonde stereotype and turning it on its head by having protagonist Elle Woods (bow down) get into Harvard like it's no biggie, and then solve *the* major legal case of her year.

A League of Their Own

One of the OG feminist flicks, this fictionalised tale is of the very real, very first female professional baseball league, who go up to bat against the patriarchy. If that didn't convince you enough to give it a watch, Madonna also makes an appearance!

Let us know what film you choose, or if you've watched one you want to recommend at [**fundraising@womensaid.org.uk**](mailto:fundraising@womensaid.org.uk)

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