

The Best Apps to Make Money From Your Phone, Revealed by Printify

Which are the best apps to make money with from your phone, and how do they really work?



Wilmington, Delaware Nov 5, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - From side hustles to full-scale entrepreneurship, Printify is redefining how Americans use their smartphones to design, sell, and earn.

In 2025, your smartphone isn't just a tool for communication; it's one of the most powerful ways to earn a living. From creative entrepreneurs to everyday side hustlers, Americans are using [mobile apps to build flexible income](#) streams from the palm of their hand. And at the center of this shift is Printify, the print-on-demand platform empowering users to design, sell, and profit from custom products, all from their phones.

According to Statista (2025), over 53% of U.S. adults now use their smartphones to earn or manage supplemental income, up from 38% just four years ago. As the mobile economy grows, apps that merge accessibility with creativity are leading the charge. Printify stands out as one of the few that allow users to build a scalable business directly from their devices, requiring no inventory, shipping, or upfront investment.

Printify: Turning Smartphones Into Online Stores

With the rise of print-on-demand (POD), Printify has become a cornerstone of the mobile money-making landscape. The platform enables anyone, regardless of technical experience, to design and sell products like T-shirts, mugs, tote bags, and phone cases from their smartphone.

How it works:

Users upload a design or use Printify's AI-powered Product Creator to generate one. When a customer makes a purchase, the chosen Print Provider prints, packs, and ships the product directly to the buyer. The creator keeps the profit — without ever handling inventory.

Key features driving **Printify's mobile success**:

- **Free to start:** Sign up and launch a store within minutes.
- **Massive catalog:** Over 900 customizable products in categories like apparel, home décor, and accessories.
- **AI design tools:** Create professional graphics directly from your phone.
- **Global reach:** Production partners in the U.S. and worldwide ensure fast, low-cost delivery.
- **Easy integrations:** Works seamlessly with Shopify, Etsy, eBay, and Amazon.

"We're seeing a record number of creators starting their businesses on mobile," said Davis Sărmiņš, Director of Growth Marketing at Printify. *"Printify makes it possible to build a brand, design products, and manage orders, all from your phone. It's never been easier to turn creativity into income."*

Case Study: From College Student to Mobile Entrepreneur

Emily, a 22-year-old student from Florida, discovered Printify while looking for a flexible side hustle. Using her iPhone, she designed and launched a line of personalized phone cases and mugs through her Etsy store. Within six months, she had earned over \$8,000, all while managing her shop between classes.

"Printify gave me the freedom to create and earn without upfront costs," Emily said. *"I design everything on my phone, and the app handles the rest."*

Stories like Emily's are becoming increasingly common, as more users realize that launching an online business no longer requires a laptop, warehouse, or investment, just a smartphone and an idea.

Other Leading Apps Helping Americans Earn on Mobile

While Printify leads in long-term, scalable online income, several other apps complement the new mobile earning ecosystem:

- **Swagbucks** — Earn cash for surveys, shopping, or watching videos.
- **Upwork** — Connects freelancers with clients across industries.
- **UserTesting** — Pays users to review websites and apps.
- **Rover** — Helps pet lovers find paid pet-sitting gigs.
- **Robinhood** — Allows fractional stock and crypto investments directly from your phone.

These apps highlight a broader trend: the shift toward independent, mobile-first income that prioritizes freedom and accessibility.

The Bigger Picture: Mobile Income and the Creator Economy

The global mobile economy is projected to surpass \$6 trillion by 2028, with more than 70% of digital

entrepreneurs running businesses entirely from their phones. As this ecosystem expands, Printify's model offers one of the most approachable entry points into e-commerce, empowering anyone with a smartphone to monetize their ideas.

"Mobile entrepreneurship is the new normal," said Sārmiņš. "At Printify, our mission is to remove barriers so that anyone - student, parent, or professional - can start earning from their creativity, anytime and anywhere."

Start Creating Today

Whether you're a student, designer, or side hustler, your phone can be your business. Visit www.printify.com to design, launch, and sell your first custom product today, free from inventory, risk, or stress.

About Printify

Founded in 2015, Printify is a leading print-on-demand platform that helps creators and businesses design, sell, and ship custom products worldwide. With over 900 products, 100+ print providers, and seamless mobile integrations, Printify empowers anyone to start and scale an online business — without upfront costs or inventory.

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