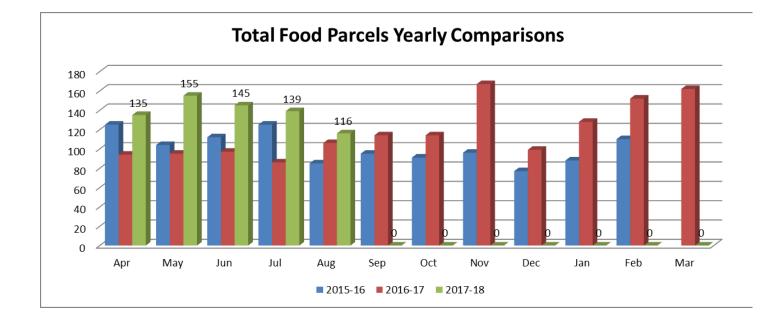


"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat"

[Matthew 25:35] Serving Jesus in His most distressing disguise

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Total cost to date at £45 per parcel £ 31,050.00

School Holidays

Typically, the number of referrals we get drops at this time of the year, and it has done again this year. Is this because families are away? Or is it because referring agancies and organisations are away. With the children not getting school meals, an increase might be expected from struggling families, but it doesn't go that way. Something to think about.

Generous Churches

Without the generous support of church members donating food, we would never have enough food to give to those in need, These are some of the churches that donate:-

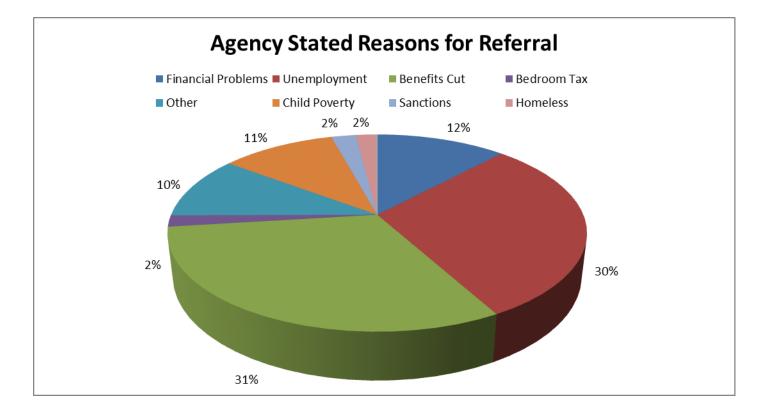
<u>To Flitwick Hub</u>: Westoning Parish, Flitwick Parish, Flitwick Methodist, Sacred Heart Catholic, Flitwick Baptist <u>To Marston Moretaine Hub</u>: Vale Community, Wootton Baptist

| Hubs Summary | Total to Date | Monthly Average |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Flitwick | 236 | 47 |
| Sandy | 145 | 29 |
| Stotfold | 114 | 23 |
| Shefford | 103 | 21 |
| Biggleswade | 67 | 13 |
| Marston | 23 | 5 |
| Out of Area | 0 | 0 |
| | 688 | |

Statistics

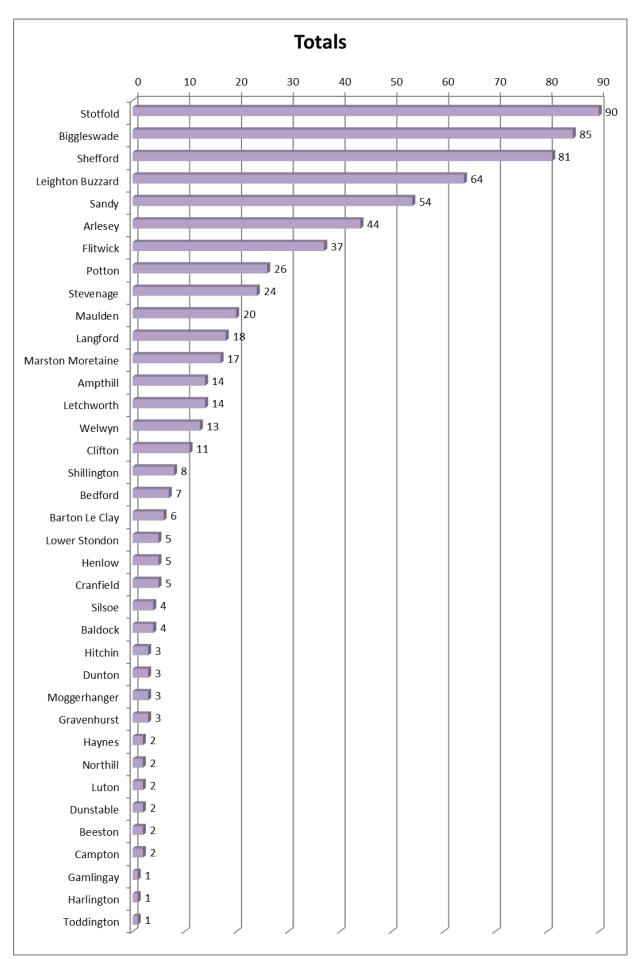
Adults & Children Served

| <u>Children</u> | Age 0-4 | Age 5-10 | Age 11-17 | Adults |
|-----------------|---------|----------|-----------|--------|
| Totals (yr) | 400 | 405 | 165 | 940 |



Registered Charity Number 1157691 THE NEED PROJECT CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE

Where We've Delivered To



Furniture, Furnishings and White Goods

| Items | Totals | Actual Items Includes | Totals |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|--------|
| White Goods | 14 | Cookers | 1 |
| Beds, single, double, bunk | 42 | Fridges/ Freezers | 7 |
| Bedroom Furniture, Furnishings | 17 | Suites/Sofas | 13 |
| Lounge Furniture, Furnishings | 35 | Washing Machines | 6 |
| Misc &, Baby Equipment | 22 | Microwaves | 0 |
| Bedding | 38 | TV's DVD Players | 4 |
| Estimated Value | £ 7,195.00 | | |

The estimated cost of items supplied in August was £760. A quiet month compared to most. One family was supplied with a dishwasher.

There's a Cost.

None of this could happen without funds so we are actively seeking funds through grants and donations.

Would you consider donating something on a regular basis? If you can and are willing, please let our Administrator (Dave) know and he will tell you how to do it e-mail: <u>admin@theneedproject.co.uk</u>.

Lots of small monthly donations can become a big amount of funding every month. Annual or one-off donations are good too. Together we can make a difference.

Our objectives

To relieve persons in Central Bedfordshire and the surrounding area that are in poverty or financial hardship in such ways as the Trustees from time to time think fit, in particular, but not exclusively by:

- 1. Providing food parcels to support individuals and families who are experiencing food deprivation.
- 2. Providing other items to meet immediate and essential needs, as resources allow.
- 3. Developing other forms of support to meet immediate need and alleviate financial hardship.

Our values

We are a Christian organisation motivated by Jesus' teaching on poverty and injustice. We operate according to Christian principles of compassion, honesty, integrity, openness, kindness and care of all people, regardless of backgrounds or beliefs (or none). We are passionate about inclusion and being non-judgemental is central to what we do. We believe that everyone has the right to have food on their plate, dignity, skills, a chance to work and hope for the future.

Please pass this report on to anyone who would be interested in the work of the Need Project. You can contact The Need Project on:

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