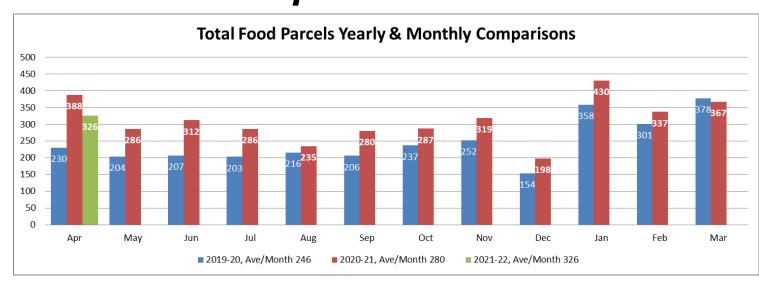


"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat"

[Matthew 25:35]

Serving Jesus in His most distressing disguise

Need Project Report April 2021



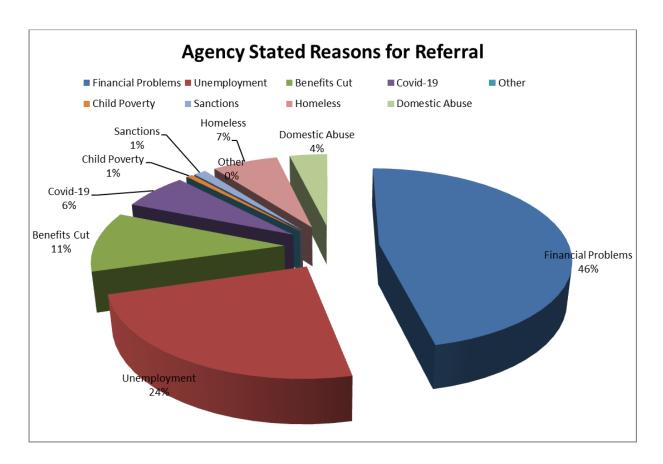
New financial year for the Need Project

The number of referrals has seen a significant drop compared to last year, which was at the height of the referrals due to Covid, especially those isolating then. We were supporting Central Beds Council.

There were 78 parcels made up for people who came along to our centres.



Statistics



Unemployment continues to be the main reason for referrals.

Hubs Summary	Total to Date	Monthly Average
Flitwick	20	20
Sandy	114	114
Stotfold	47	47
Shefford	35	35
Biggleswade	25	25
Marston Moretaine	12	12
Out of Area	29	29
	282	

Total value to date at £54 per parcel	£ 17,604.00
Total value this month at £54 per parcel	£ 17,604.00

<u>Children</u>	Age 0-4	Age 5-10	Age 11-17	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Total</u>
Totals (yr)	113	343	161	552	1169

Furniture, Furnishings and White Goods

Items			
White goods	0	£	-
Beds	1	£	35.00
Bedroom furniture	2	£	90.00
Lounge furniture	11	£	210.00
Misc & baby equip	0	£	-
Bedding	1	£	10.00
Estimated value		£	345.00

Actual items includes			
Cookers	0	£	-
Fridges/freezers	0	£	-
Suites/sofas	1	£	50.00
Washing machines	0	£	-
Microwaves	0	£	-
TV's / DVD players	0	£	-
Estimated value		£	50.00

Tot Est Value for Month		£385	
Tot Est Value Year to date	£	385.00	

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 Marchant) know and he will tell you how to do it e-mail: admin@theneedproject.co.uk.

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.

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