



"I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat" [Matthew 25:35]

Need Project Report October 2023

830 parcels provided.

383 top-up-bags collected from our Pop-up sites.

£57,780

is the estimated value of the food for the month of October.

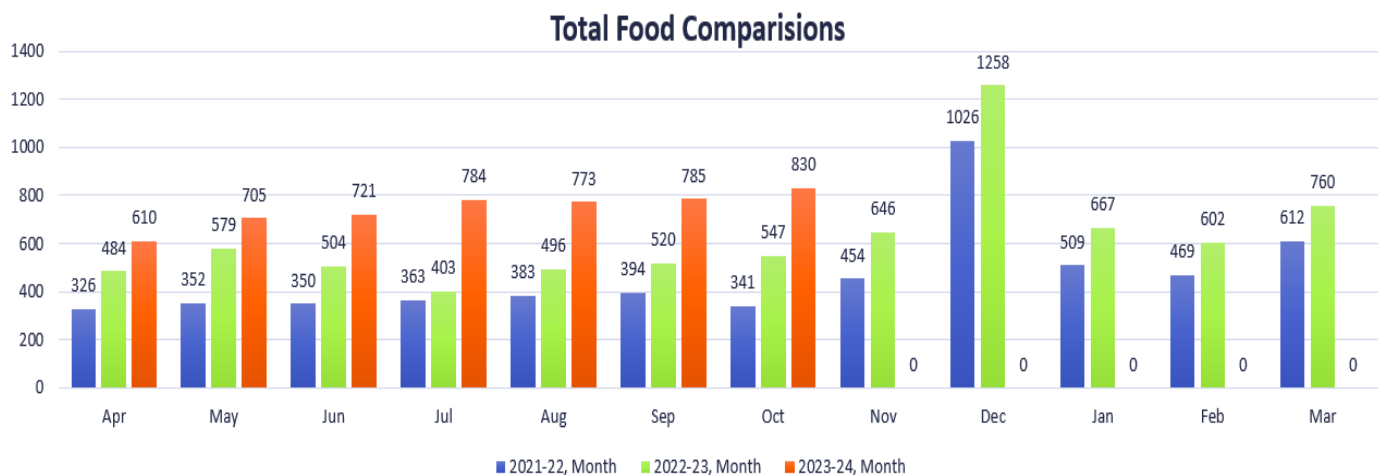
Our busiest month, in 3 years (except for December).

£6,602.50

Is the average monthly cost to run the charity (Rent, Insurance, Fuel, Van, Staff related expenses)

The amount of food parcels delivered is up by 45 this month. Last year (2022) we delivered 547 food parcels. This is an increase of nearly 52% in food parcels delivered monthly based on last year's figure.

This month with your help. We have managed to make a difference to 1,925 adults, 67 pensioners and 1,523 children. This includes our best before food that we give away.



Change in number of parcels 2021- 2024

Percentage change 2021 - 2024												
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
2021-22, Month	326	352	350	363	383	394	341	454	1026	509	469	612
2022-23, Month	484	579	504	403	496	520	547	646	1258	667	602	760
2023-24, Month	610	705	721	784	773	785	830	0	0	0	0	0
% increase 2021 -22	26.03%	21.76%	43.06%	94.54%	55.85%	50.96%	51.74%					
% increase 2020 -22	87.12%	100.28%	106.00%	115.98%	101.83%	99.24%	143.40%					

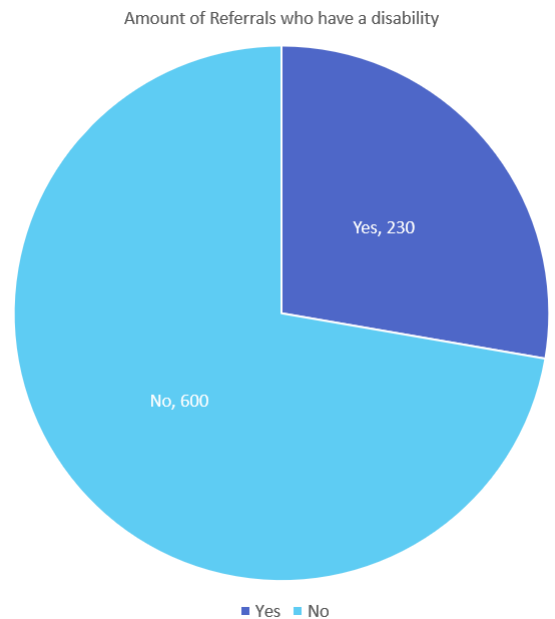
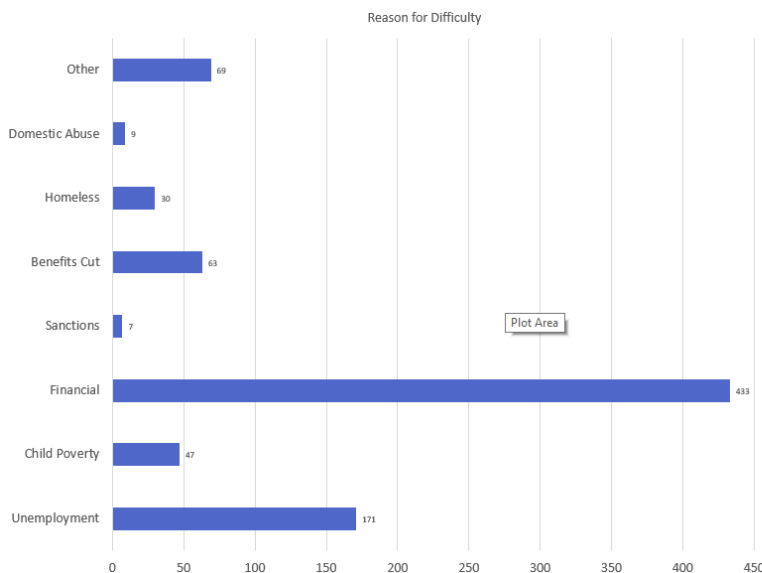
People	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
Adults	945	1112	1124	1190	1193	1214	1992
Children	733	875	911	983	1065	1006	1523

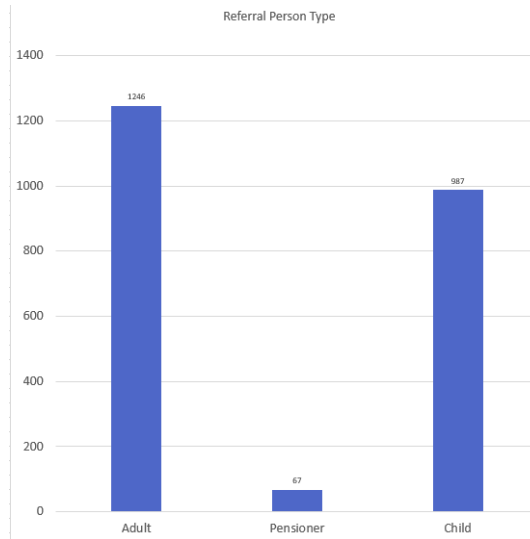
Total value to date at £65 per parcel (Apr - Sep)	£ 338,520.00
Total value this month at £65 per parcel	£ 53,950.00

**PLEASE NOTE OUR REFERRAL BUSINESS HOURS BELOW.
THE REFERRAL SYSTEM WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE OUTSIDE OF THESE HOURS.**

Monday	7.00am – 6.00pm
Tuesday	7.00am – 6.00pm
Wednesday	7.00am – 6.00pm
Thursday	7.00am – 6.00pm
Friday	7.00am – 12.00pm
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

The reasons people are being referred for food parcels & how many have a disability



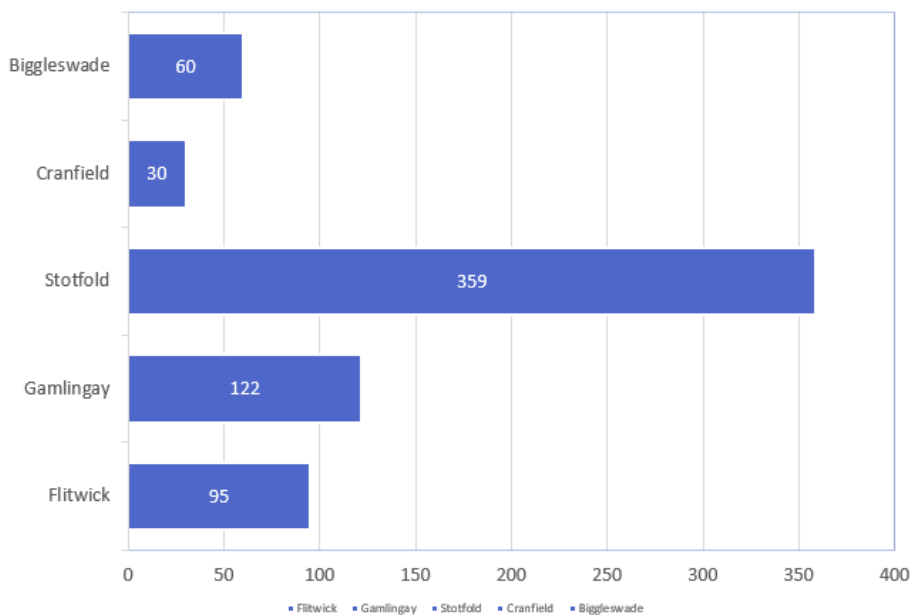


Distribution of referrals by postcode

Villages within postcode areas	Number of parcels referred to these postcodes
MK17: Salford, Aspley Guise, Hulcote, Woburn Sands, Woburn, Eversholt, Milton Bryan, Tingrith, Potsgrove	1
MK43: Cranfield, Marston Moretaine, Upper/Lower Shelton, Lidlington, Ridgmont, Husbourne Crawley, Brogborough	24
MK45: Ampthill, Barton-La-Clay, Clophill, Flitton, Flitwick, Gravenhurst, Greenfield, Haynes, Houghton Conquest, Maulden, Millbrook, Pulloxhill, Sharpenhoe, Silsoe, Stepp	82
MK42: Wixams	1
CB23: Cambourne	12
SG19: Beeston, Everton, Gamlingay, Gransden, Hatch, Potton, Sandy, Sutton, Tempsford, Wrestlingworth	252
PE19:	3
SG17: Campton, Chicksands, Clifton, Meppershall, Shefford	51
MK44: Blunham, Moggerhanger	21
SG4: Kimpton, Meppershall	1
SG5: Fairfield, Fairfield Park, Hexton, Hingham Gobion, Holwell, Letchworth, Pirton, Shillington, Stotfold,	72
SG6: Arlesey, Letchworth	12
SG7: Baldock, Hinxworth	6
SG8: Guilden Morden, Royston, Tadlow	5
SG16: Arlesey, Henlow, Letchworth, Lower Stondon,	18
SG18: Biggleswade, Edworth, Ickwell, Langford, Lower Caldecote, Northill, Old Warden, Southill, Stanford, Upper Caldecote	93
LUS: Harlington, Toddington	7

Delivery Hub

- Biggleswade - Covering town only
- Cranfield - Covering Cranfield, Marston Mortaine and surrounding areas
- Stotfold - Covering Stotfold, Arlesey, Shefford, Sandy and surrounding areas
- Gamlingay - Covering Potton, Gamlingay and surrounding areas
- Flitwick - Covering flitwick, Ampthill, and surrounding areas



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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?

Visit <https://theneedproject.org/donate/> for further information.

We would like to say a big 'Thank You' to those who make donations regularly.



Around £750 per month is being spent on fuel alone, collecting food and delivering food parcels in the villages around rural Central Bedfordshire. That is equal to £9000.00 a year!



Our objectives

To tackle food poverty throughout Central Bedfordshire and surrounding areas, by providing food parcels to support individuals and families, via our referral system.

Our values

We are a Christian organisation motivated by Jesus' teaching on poverty and injustice. 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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