

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

# Need Project Report December 2023 1,264 parcels provided.

1,030 Christmas parcels and 234 regular parcels.

## 288 top-up-bags collected from our Pop-up sites.

£140,940

is the estimated value of the food and presents for the month of December.

We gave out Christmas presents with an estimated value of £25,000,

which were given by our supporter to give to those in need.

Our busiest time in 3 years

£6,602.50

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

This month with your help. We have managed to make a difference to 2,451 adults, 93 pensioners and 2,488 children. This includes our best before food that we give away.

**Total Food Comparisions** 1400 12581264 1200 1026 1000 829 784 785 773 760 721 800 610 612 602 579 547 520 600 469 363 <sup>403</sup> 383 352 350 341 326 200 Apr May Jun Jul Aug Oct Jan Feb Mar Sep ■ 2022-23, Month ■ 2023-24, Month 2021-22. Month

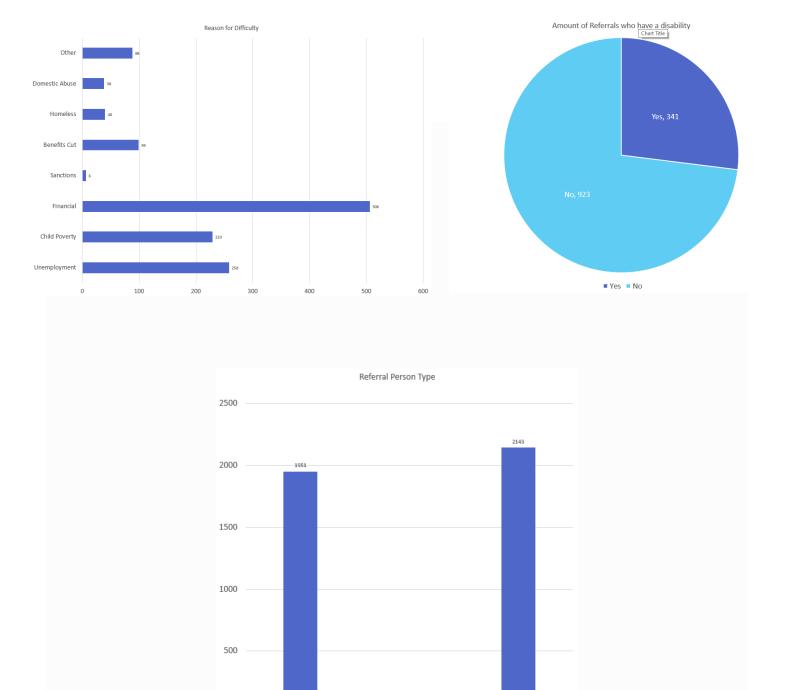
Change in number of parcels 2021- 2024

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

<u>People</u>	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Xmas	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTAL
Adults	945	1112	1124	1190	1193	1214	1992	2062	2030	0	0	0	0	12862
Children	733	875	911	983	1065	1006	1523	1613	2143	0	0	0	0	10852

Total value to date at £65 per parcel from Ap	£ 407,615.00	Christmas Parcels 2023 at £95 each	£ 97,850.00
Total value this month at £65 per parcel	£ 15,210.00	Overall Total Year from April to Date	£ 505,465.00

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



Child

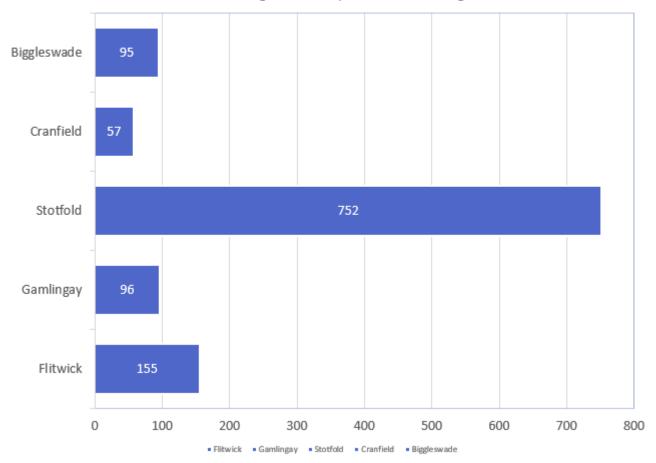
Adult

#### 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-Le-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, Hiogham Gobion, Holwell, Letchworth, Pirton, Shillington, Stotfold,	72
SGE: 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**

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



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 <a href="https://theneedproject.org/donate/">https://theneedproject.org/donate/</a> 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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