



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

# Need Project Report March 2024

**744 parcels provided in 20 working days.**

**354 top-up-bags collected from our Pop-up sites.**

## £51,900

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

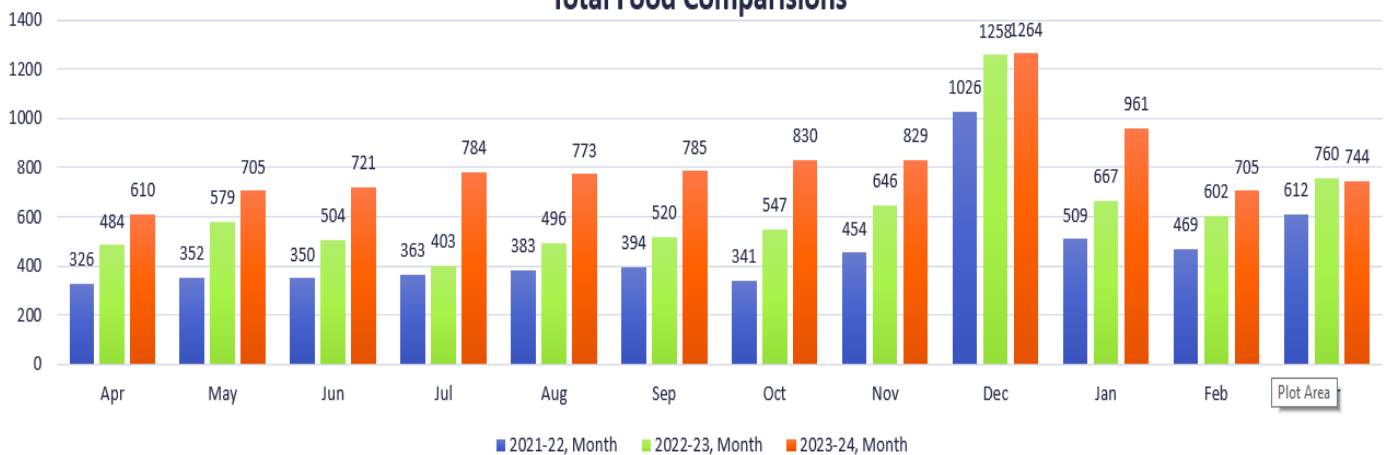
## £6,602.50

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 9% this month based on February 2024.

This month with your help. We have managed to make a difference to 1,733 adults, 116 pensioners and 1,588 children. This includes our best before food that we give away.

### Total Food Comparisons



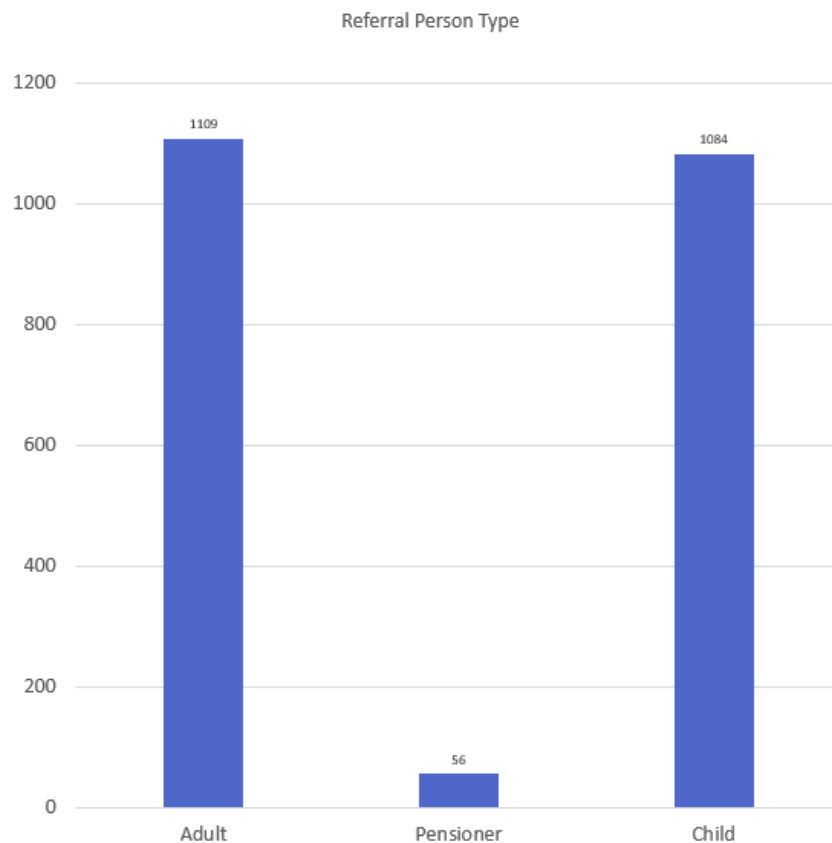
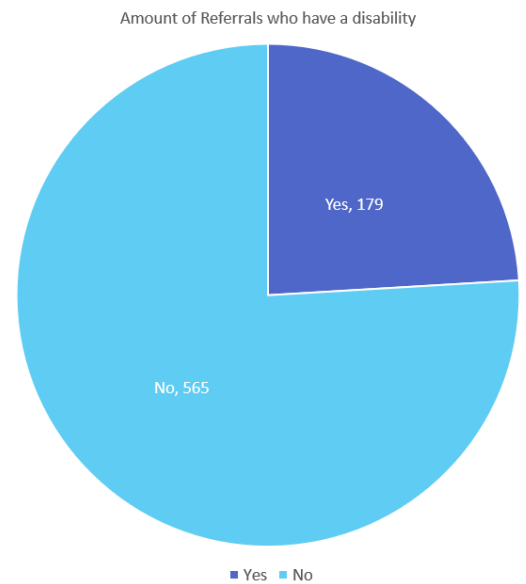
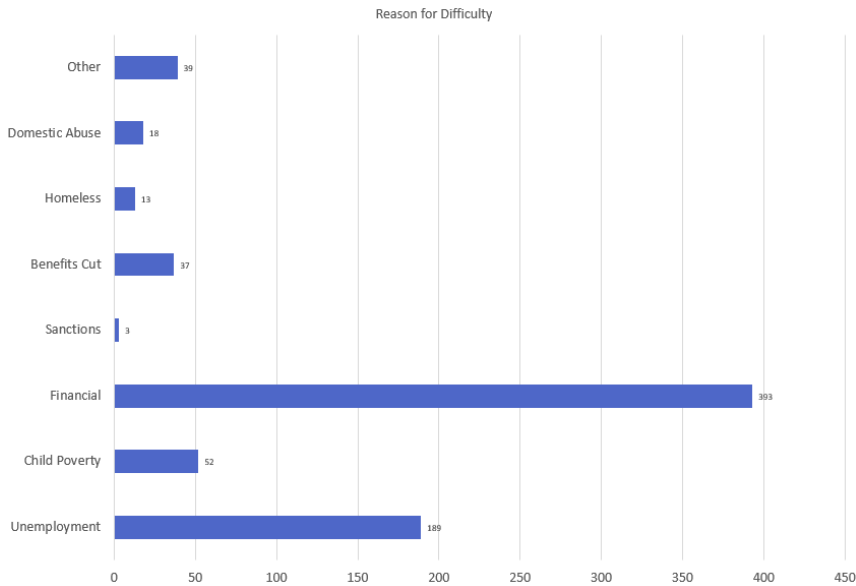
### Change in number of parcels 2021- 2024

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	829	1264	961	705	744
% increase 2021 - 22	26.03%	21.76%	43.06%	94.54%	55.85%	50.96%	51.74%	28.33%	0.48%	44.08%	17.11%	-2.11%
% increase 2020 - 22	87.12%	100.28%	106.00%	115.98%	101.83%	99.24%	143.40%	82.60%	23.20%	88.80%	50.32%	21.57%

People	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Xmas	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTAL
Adults	945	1112	1124	1190	1193	1214	1992	2062	2030	2030	1500	1819	0	18211
Children	733	875	911	983	1065	1006	1523	1613	2143	2143	1314	1461	0	15770

Total value to date at £65 per parcel from April	<b>£ 564,265.00</b>	Christmas Parcels 2023 at £95 each	<b>£ 97,850.00</b>
Total value this month at £65 per parcel	<b>£ 48,360.00</b>	Overall Total Year from April to Date	<b>£ 662,115.00</b>

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

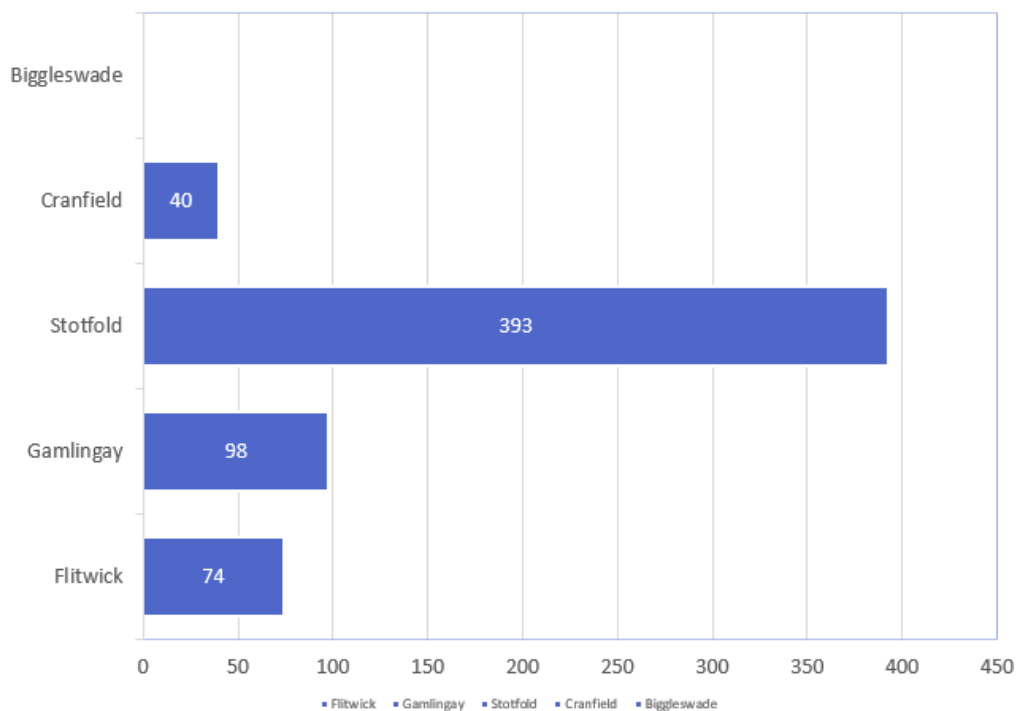


## Distribution of referrals by postcode

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: Amptill, Barton-Le-Clay, Clophill, Flitton, Flitwick, Gravenhurst, Greenfield, Haynes, Houghton Conquest, Maulden, Millbrook, Pulloxhill, Sharpenhoe, Stepney	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
SG6: Arlesey, Letchworth	12
SG7: Baldock, Hinxworth	6
SG8: Guilden Morden, Royston, Tadlow	5
SG15: 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, Amptill and surrounding areas



**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

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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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