



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

# Need Project Report April 2024

**754 parcels provided in 21 working days.**

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

**£53,020**

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

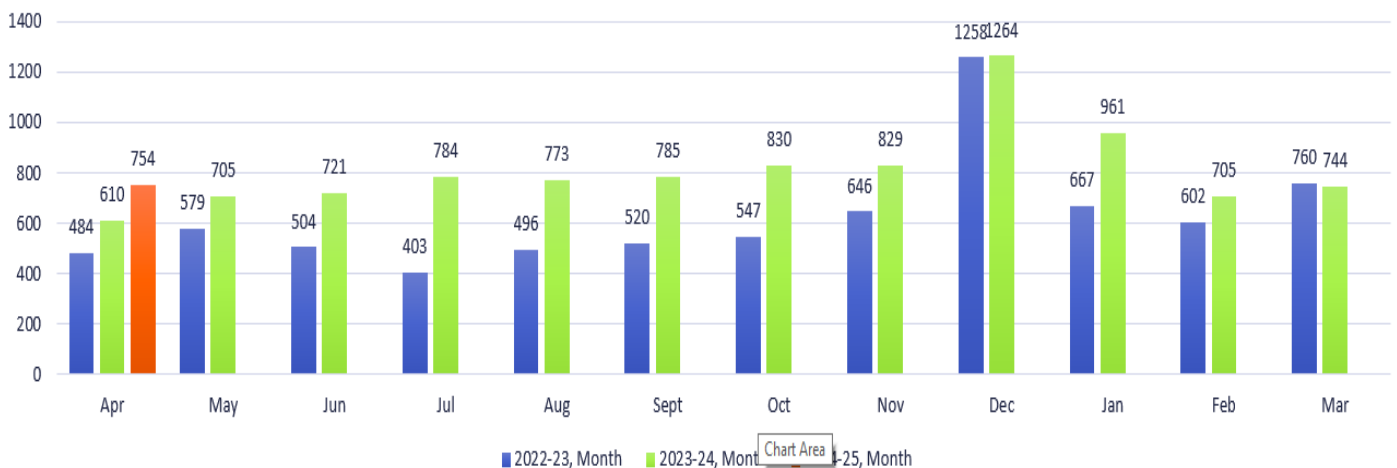
**£6,602.50**

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

In April 2023 we delivered 610 food parcels. In April 2024 we delivered 754. This is an increase of 23% in food parcels delivered this month.

This month with your help. We have managed to make a difference to 2,110 adults, 119 pensioners and 1,916 children. This includes our best before food that we give away.

## Total Food Comparisons



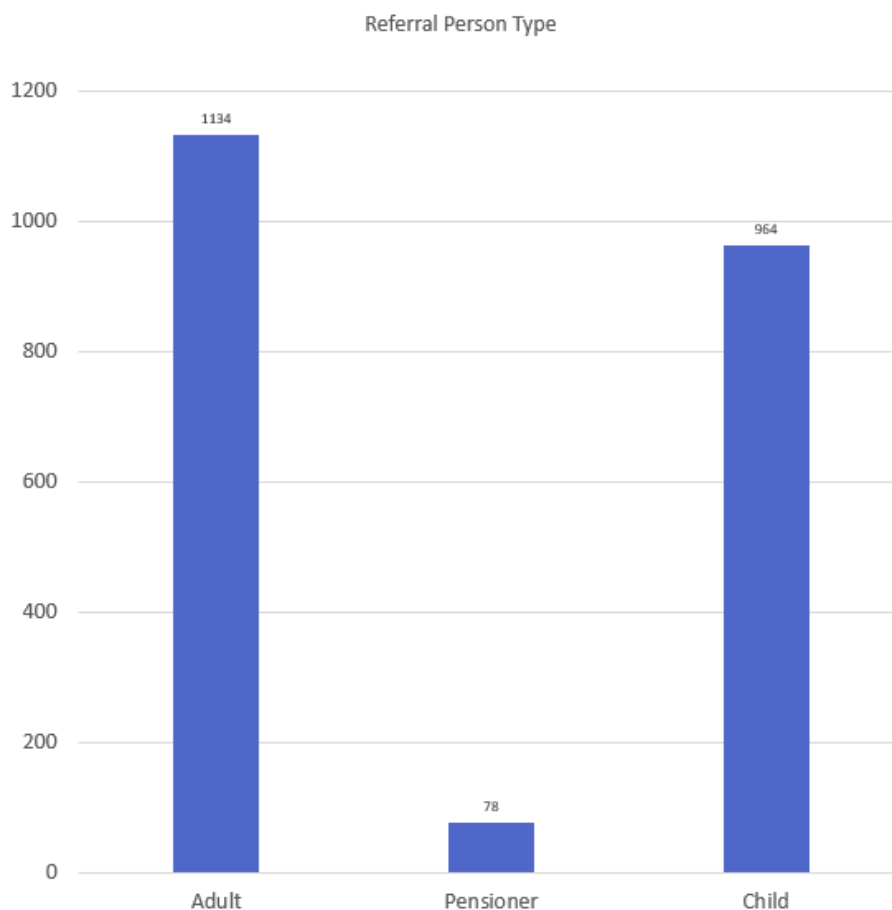
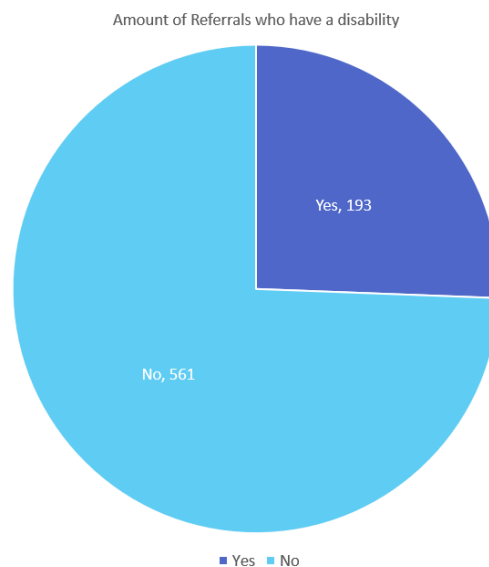
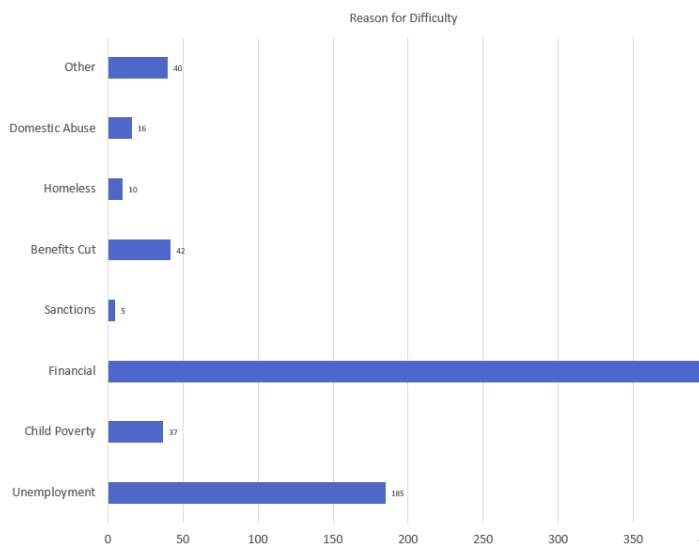
## Change in number of parcels 2022- 2025

	Percentage change 2021 - 2024											
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
2022-23, Month	484	576	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
2024-25, Month	754											
% increase 2023 -24	23.61%											
% increase 2022 -24	55.79%											

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	1849	20060
Children	733	875	911	983	1065	1006	1523	1613	2143	2143	1314	1461	1588	17358

Total value to date at £65 per parcel from April	£ 49,010.00	Christmas Parcels 2023 at £95 each	£ 97,850.00
Total value this month at £65 per parcel	£ 49,010.00	Overall Total Year from April to Date	£ 146,860.00

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

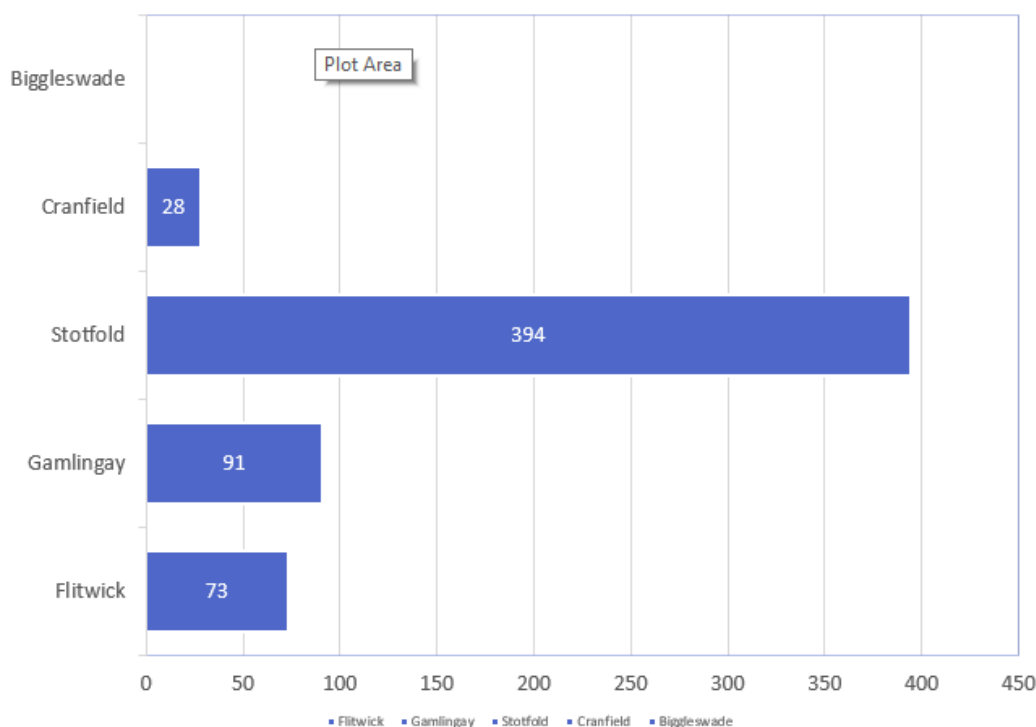


## Distribution of referrals by postcode

Villages within postcode areas	Number of parcels referred to these postcodes
MK17: Salford, Aspley Guise, Hulcote, Woburn Sands, Woburn, Eversholt, Milton Bryan, Tingrith, Potsgrove	0
MK43: Cranfield, Marston Moretaine, Upper/Lower Shelton, Lidlington, Ridgmont, Husbourne Crawley, Brogborough	53
MK45: Ampthill, Barton-Le-Clay, Clophill, Flitton, Flitwick, Gravenhurst, Greenfield, Haynes, Houghton Conquest, Maulden, Millbrook, Pulloxhill, Sharpenhoe, Silsoe, Steppingleton	79
MK42: Wixams	1
CB23: Cambourne	9
SG19: Beeston, Everton, Gamlingay, Gransden, Hatch, Potton, Sandy, Sutton, Tampsford, Wrestlingworth	277
PE19:	1
SG17: Campton, Chicksands, Clifton, Meppershall, Shefford	60
MK44: Blunham, Moggerhanger	26
SG4: Kimpton, Meppershall	0
SG5: Fairfield, Fairfield Park, Hexton, Higham Gobion, Holwell, Letchworth, Firton, Shillington, Stotfold,	77
SG6: Arlesey, Letchworth	9
SG7: Baldock, Hinxworth	3
SG8: Guilden Morden, Royston, Tadlow	3
SG16: Arlesey, Henlow, Letchworth, Lower Standon,	26
SG18: Biggleswade, Edworth, Ickwell, Langford, Lower Caldecote, Northill, Old Warden, Southill, Stanford, Upper Caldecote	66
LUS: Harlington, Toddington	0

### 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



**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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