



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

# Need Project Report December 2024

**880 parcels provided in 14 working days.**

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

**£86,600**

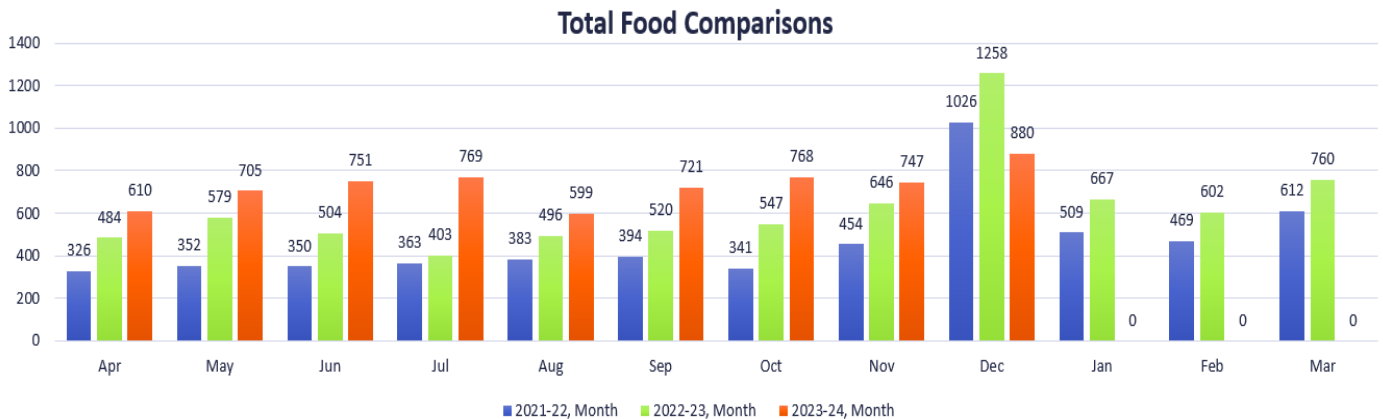
is the estimated value of the food for the month of December.

**£6,602.50**

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

Although it's been a difficult year, as we aren't in our new building and we therefore we operated differently this Christmas, we still managed to do all that was required of us, and we hope everyone got what they needed. We gave away new toys, with an estimated value of £20,000.

This month with your help. We have managed to make a difference to 1,771 adults, 296 pensioners and 1,641 children. This includes our best before food that we give away.



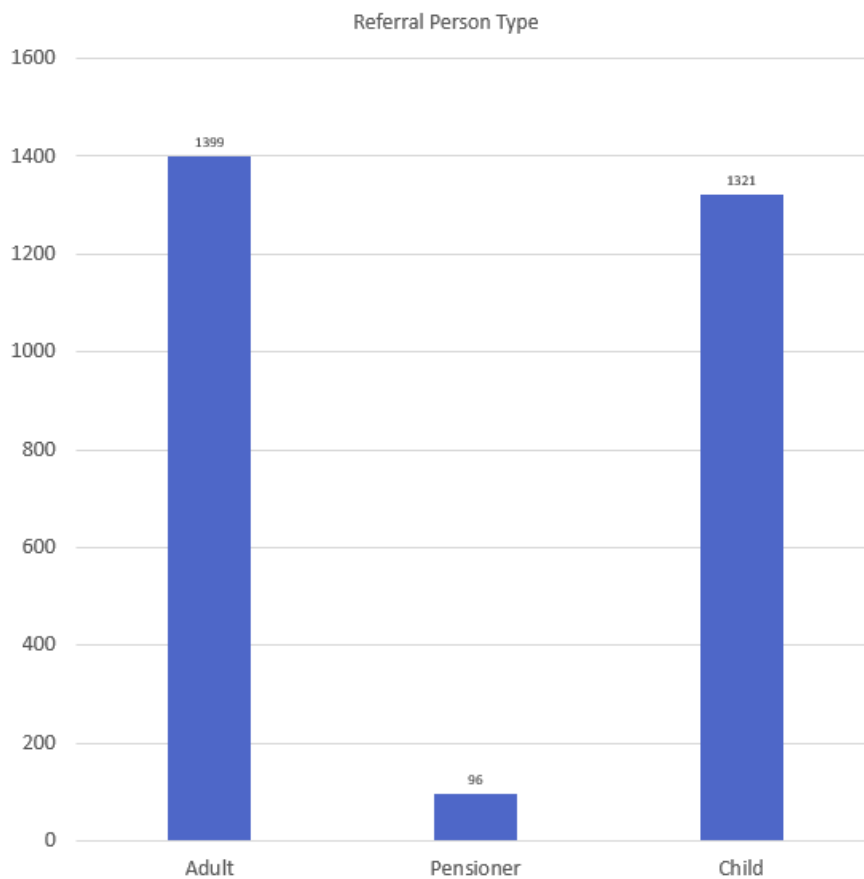
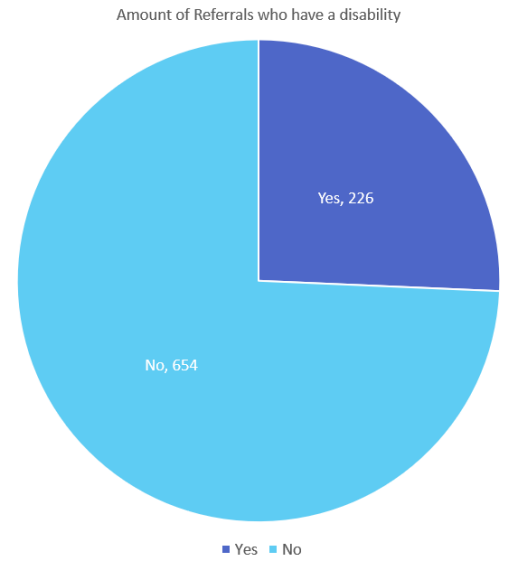
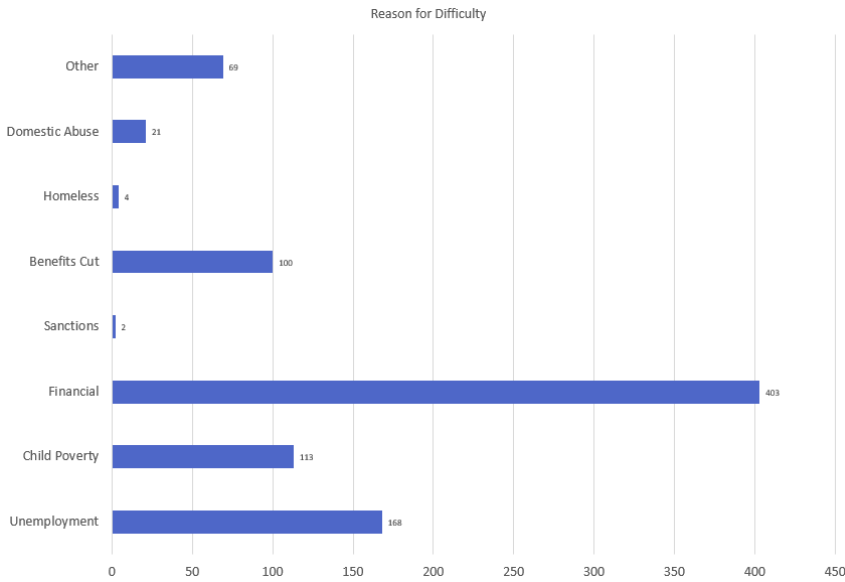
## Change in number of parcels 2021- 2024

Percentage change 2021 - 2024													
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
<b>2021-22, Month</b>	326	352	350	363	383	394	341	454	1026	509	469	612	
<b>2022-23, Month</b>	484	579	504	403	496	520	547	646	1258	667	602	760	
<b>2023-24, Month</b>	610	705	751	769	599	721	768	747	880	0	0	0	
% increase 2023 -24	26.03%	21.76%	49.01%	90.82%	20.77%	38.65%	40.40%	15.63%	-30.05%				
% increase 2022 -24	87.12%	100.28%	114.57%	111.85%	56.40%	82.99%	125.22%	64.54%	-14.23%				

People	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTAL
Adults	945	1112	1189	1242	1559	1942	2098	1995	2067	0	0	0	14149
Children	733	875	1013	1060	1141	1467	1530	1362	1641	0	0	0	10822

Total value to date at £65 per parcel (Apr - Mar)	<b>£ 452,150.00</b>
Total value this month at £95 per parcel	<b>£ 83,600.00</b>

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

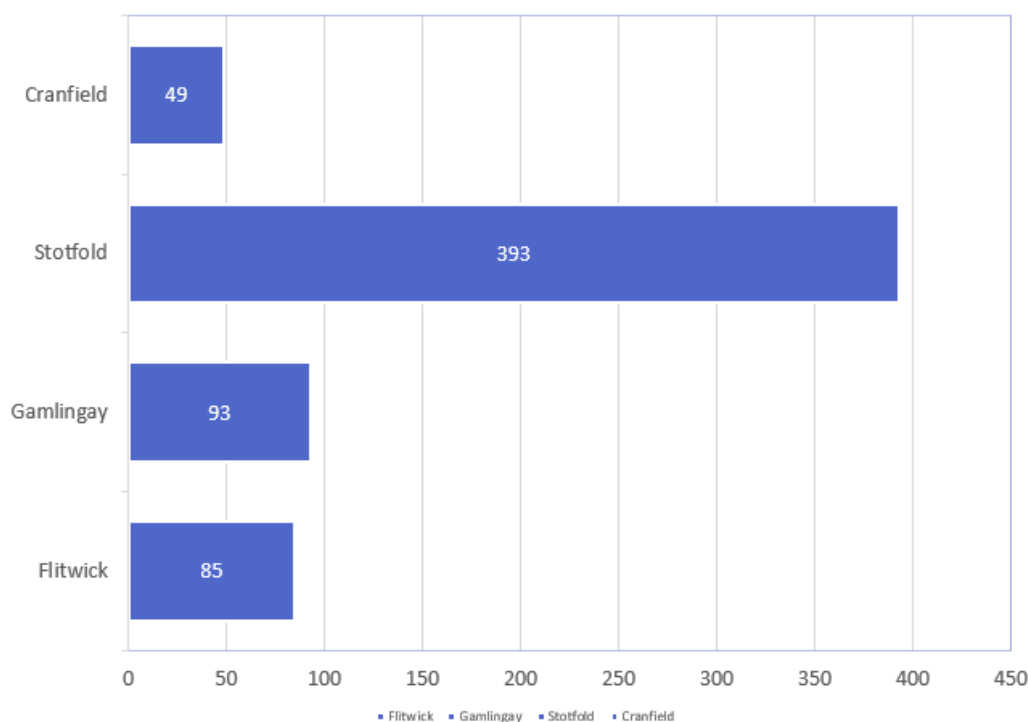


## Distribution of referrals by postcode

Villages within postcode areas	Number of parcels referred to these postcodes
MK17: Salford, Aspley Guise, Hulcote, Woburn Sands, Woburn, Eversholt, Milton Bryan, Tingrith, Potsgrove	3
MK43: Cranfield, Marston Moretaine, Upper/Lower Shelton, Lidlington, Ridgmont, Husbourne Crawley, Brogborough	65
MK45: Ampthill, Barton-Le-Clay, Clophill, Flitton, Flitwick, Gravenhurst, Greenfield, Haynes, Houghton Conquest, Maulden, Millbrook, Pulloxhill, Sharpenhoe, Silsoe, Steppingleton	82
MK42: Wixams	1
CB23: Cambourne	4
SG19: Beeston, Everton, Gamlingay, Gransden, Hatch, Potton, Sandy, Sutton, Tempsford, Wrestlingworth	227
PE19:	0
SG17: Campton, Chicksands, Clifton, Meppershall, Shefford	74
MK44: Blunham, Moggerhanger	22
SG4: Kimpton	2
SG5: Fairfield, Fairfield Park, Hexton, Hiogham Gobion, Holwell, Letchworth, Pirton, Shillington, Stotfold,	66
SG6: Arlesey, Letchworth	34
SG7: Baldock, Hinxworth	1
SG8: Guilden Morden, Royston, Tadlow	0
SG16: Arlesey, Henlow, Letchworth, Lower Standon,	33
SG18: Biggleswade, Edworth, Ickwell, Langford, Lower Caldecote, Northill, Old Warden, Southill, Stanford, Upper Caldecote	130
LUS: Harlington, Toddington	3

### 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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