



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

Project Report September 2025

634 parcels provided in 22 working days.

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

£46,610

is the estimated value of the food for the month of September 2025.

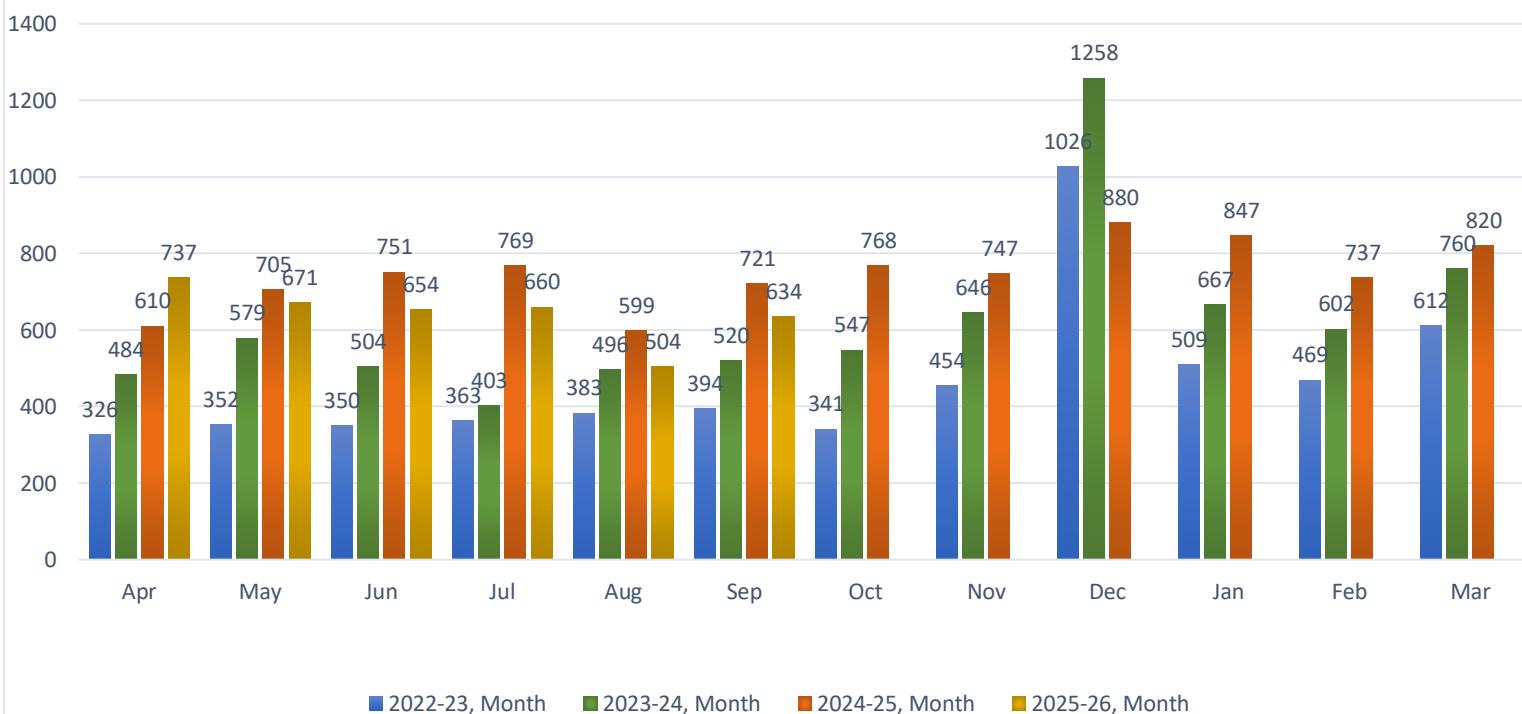
£6,602.50

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

In September 2025 we delivered 634 food parcels and 540 top up bags. A review of our procedures has resulted in increased efficiencies which reflects in the top up bags rising and the parcels levelling out. Although even with the improved procedures our year on year September comparison shows the demand for our services remains as high as ever.

This month with your help. We have managed to make a difference to 1677 adults, 317 pensioners and 1440 children. This includes our best before food that we give away..

Total Food Comparisons



Percentage change 2021 - 2025												
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
2022-23, Month	326	352	350	363	383	394	341	454	1026	509	469	612
2023-24, Month	484	579	504	403	496	520	547	646	1258	667	602	760
2024-25, Month	610	705	751	769	599	721	768	747	880	847	737	820
2025-26, Month	737	671	654	660	504	634						
% increase 2022 - 23	48.47%	64.49%	44.00%	11.02%	29.50%	31.98%	60.41%	42.29%	22.61%	31.04%	28.36%	24.18%
% increase 2023 - 24/25	26.03%	21.76%	49.01%	90.82%	20.77%	38.65%	40.40%	15.63%	-30.05%	26.99%	22.43%	7.89%
% increase 2025	20.82%	-4.82%	-12.92%	-14.17%	-15.86%	-12.07%						

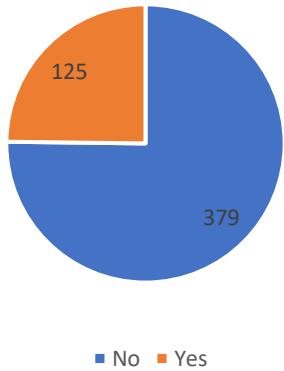
People	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	TOTAL
Adults	945	1112	1942	1242	1601	1994	2098	1995	2067	1384	1871	2010	19316
Children	733	875	1464	1060	1074	1440	1530	1362	1641	1018	1196	1550	14210

Total value to date at £65 per parcel
(Aug24 - July 25) **£ 646,525.00**

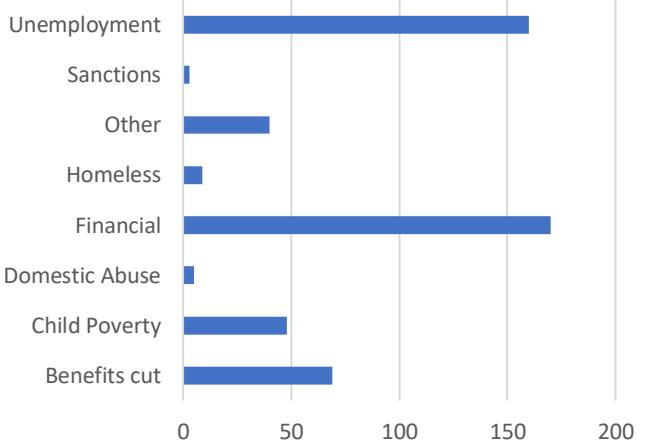
Total value to date at £65 per parcel (Sep 25) **£ 46,610.00**

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

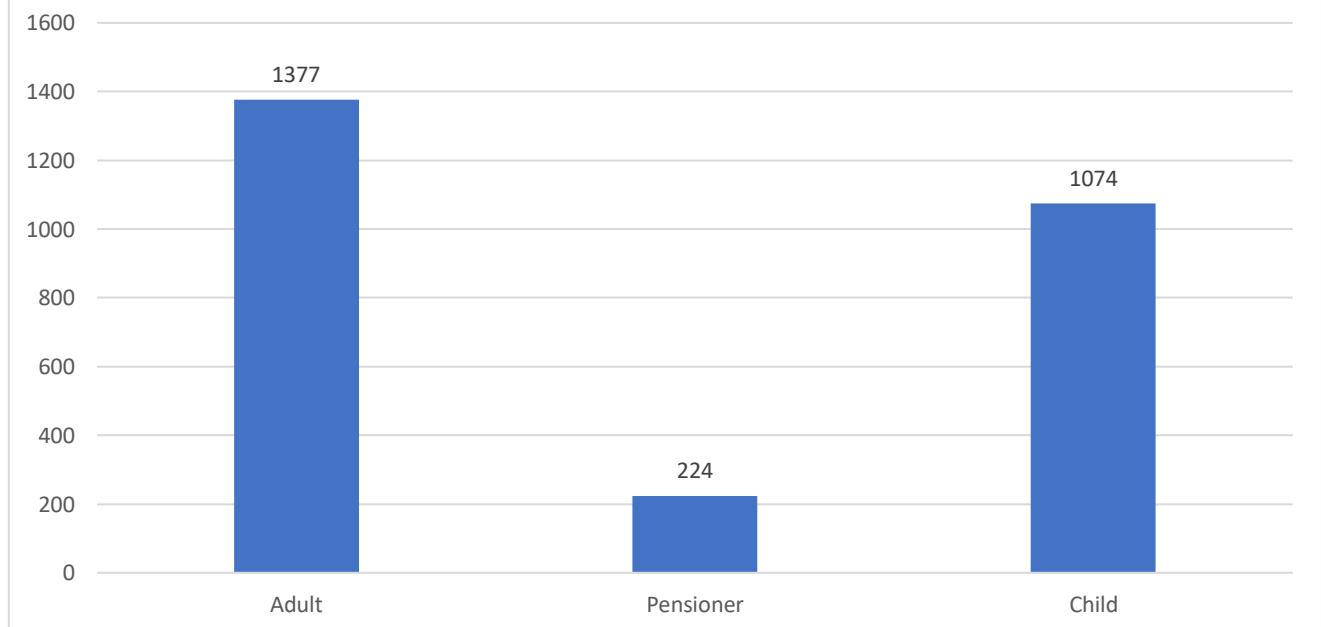
Amounts of referrals that have a disability



Reason For Difficulty



Referral Person Type



Distribution of parcels per postcode

Villages within postcode areas	Number of parcels referred to these postcodes
CB23: Cambourne	7
LU5 and 6: Dunstable and Leighton Buzzard	9
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, Broxborough	47
MK44: Blunham, Moggerhanger	15
MK45: Ampthill, Barton-Le-Clay, Clophill, Flitton, Flitwick, Gravenhurst, Greenfield, Haynes, Houghton Conquest, Maulden, Millbrook, Pulloxhill, Sharpenhoe, Silsoe, Steppingley, Gravenhurst, Westoning	81
SG1 & 2: Stevenage	4
SG4: Kimpton	1
SG5: Fairfield, Fairfield Park, Hexton, Hiogham, Gobion, Holwell, Letchworth, Pirton, Shillington, Stotfold,	48
SG6: Arlesey, Letchworth	15
SG7, 8 & 9: Baldock, Hinckworth	2
SG15: Arlesey	34
SG16: Henlow, Letchworth, Lower Standon,	37
SG17: Campton, Chicksands, Clifton, Meppershall, Shefford	67
SG18: Biggleswade, Edworth, Ickwell, Langford, Lower Caldecote, Northill, Old Warden, Southill, Stanford, Upper Caldecote	66
SG19: Beeston, Everton, Gamlingay, Gransden, Hatch, Potton, Sandy, Sutton, Tempsford, Wrestlingworth	200

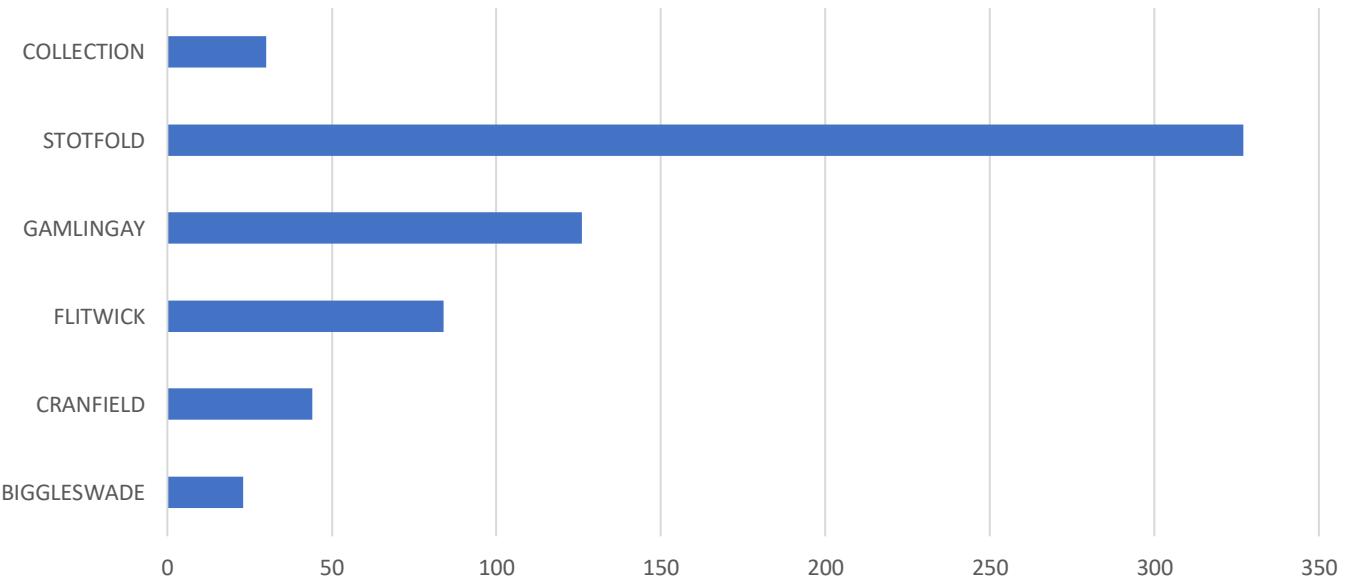
Delivery Hub

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



**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



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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