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## Newsletter

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# More food donations needed for Foodbank

We have recently seen an increase in need and have seen more clients coming for support at our foodbank centres. As a result, our food stocks in our warehouse are now starting to run low.

This is normally our quiet season for donations so we are putting a special request out. Please could you consider running a collection at your office, church or within your community. We would be very grateful.



We would love to receive the following items:

- Tinned meat/fish
- Tinned vegetables
- Instant mash
- Tinned Fruit
- Rice Puddings
- Coffee
- Pasta sauces
- Tinned tomatoes

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Thank you so much for this food. You have given me hope... (quote from a client)

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#### **Statistics**

For the last financial year 1<sup>st</sup> April 16 to March 2017 we have:

- Redeemed 2,423 vouchers
- Fed over 5,000
- Given out 43 tonnes of food
- Received over 8 tonnes of food for harvest festival
- Received around 7 tonnes leading up to Christmas

#### How do you feel?

We asked our foodbank clients how they felt just before they left a foodbank centre. Here are some replies:

"happy and grateful" "Relieved"

"Like someone cares about me"

"More hopeful"



#### IN OTHER NEWS



## Pop up Care Zone coming to foodbank

We are pleased to say that we are working in partnership with Care Zone, and hope to be piloting a pop up Care Zone session initially at our Stanground Centre. Care zone is a local charity based at Titan Drive that seeks to support those in poverty by providing donated furniture, household items and clothing free of charge.



#### Foodbank Warehouse

Our warehouse is open to receive donations on Mon, Tues and Fridays 10am-1pm. If you have a large collection and need us to collect please contact us.

# Thanks to all supporters who gave food, money or time last

Local support



We were grateful to receive many food donations and support from a variety of sources. Staff at ERT ran a very special collection during the Rio Olympics - they ran a competition to design Olympic structures out of food donations (picture above). We had a team of NCS students who not only collected money and food, but also came to help us sort our food donations. We have also had Give Back Peterborough and other charities supporting us with donated food and toiletries.





We were blessed to receive financial support last year from a number of agencies, community groups and individuals. The top picture is us receiving a cheque from the Recycling Rewards Scheme and below from Community Tuck Shop at Peterborough City Council. Other sponsors have been Ab Agri, Buckles, St Johns School, B&M and many others. Our thanks go to all who have donated.



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