

Summer loving

Well the UK may have been experiencing a heatwave recently but this has not prevented families from still being in need. The good news of course is that it means people do need to pay for heating!

We have noticed an increase in clients requesting shower gel and deodorant (much needed in this heat) and have been requesting washing powder. So for this reason we are now actively requesting donations of washing powder - ideally the small boxes or the washing tablets which we can divide as these are heavy items for them to carry home when many walk long distances.

As we mentioned last Summer, this is our quiet season for donations so we are putting a special request out. As part of our Summer loving campaign, if you want to demonstrate your love for others by running a collection at your office, church or within your community we would be very grateful.



We would ♥ love to receive the following items:

- Long life Milk
- Long life Fruit Juice
- Tinned vegetables
- Instant mash
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned tomatoes
- Washing power
- Your spare carrier bags

“ It gives me a sense of purpose and I feel privileged to be able to help others. ”

Statistics

Our statistics for the first 6 months of 2018:

- Redeemed 1,285 vouchers
- Fed 1886 adults and 1059 children
- Given out 23 tonnes of food
- Received over 19 tonnes of food

How do you feel?

We asked some foodbank volunteers how they feel about volunteering. Here are some responses:

“It gives me a sense of purpose”

“Sad to know this is needed, but glad I can help”

“I feel like I am making a difference”



IN OTHER NEWS

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Citizen Advice coming to foodbank

We are pleased to say that we are working in partnership Citizen Advice Peterborough to provide a more holistic service to our clients and help deal with their crisis more effectively.

We are piloting having a CA volunteer at three of our foodbank centres. These are Bretton, St Mark's and Dogsthorpe. Should this prove successful we hope to extend this service to other centres.

They will be providing advice on a range of subjects including:

- Benefits
- Debt
- Eviction
- Job related issues

We also hope to partner with other local agencies that can also be part of our "hub" service.



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.

Local School supports Peterborough Foodbank

Local support



We were pleased to be chosen by All Saints Primary School to be their charity for the year. As such they kindly invited us to take part in their Unity Day on 21st June.

The Foodbank Manager and two volunteers attended the day. In the morning, they talked to the children to explain how the foodbank works and how their food donations make a real difference to families in their local community.

After lunch they helped chat to the children who were making sculptures with the donated food to illustrate unity day. As you can see from the pictures, the children were very creative. They made sculptures of people out of tin cans



representing community along with hearts to illustrate love for their community.

The younger children hand decorated some favour bags which they filled with a few sweets for us to give away to foodbank clients with families. They also decorated some lovely posters advertising the foodbank.

It was a great day and we received lot of food.



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