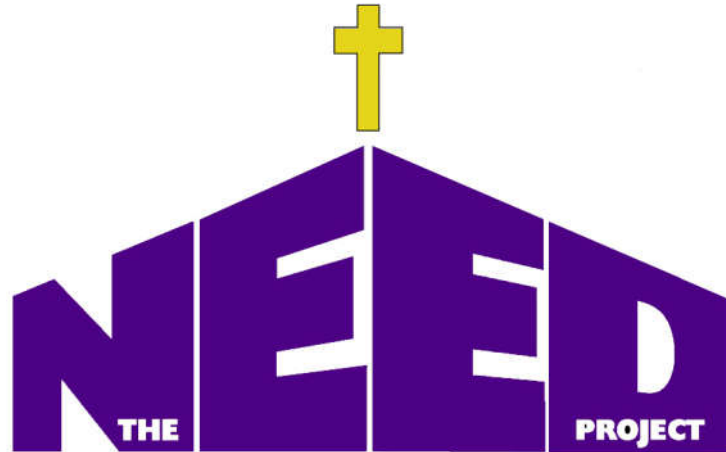


Need Project Report

January 2017



"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat"

[Matthew 25:35]

Serving Jesus in His most distressing disguise



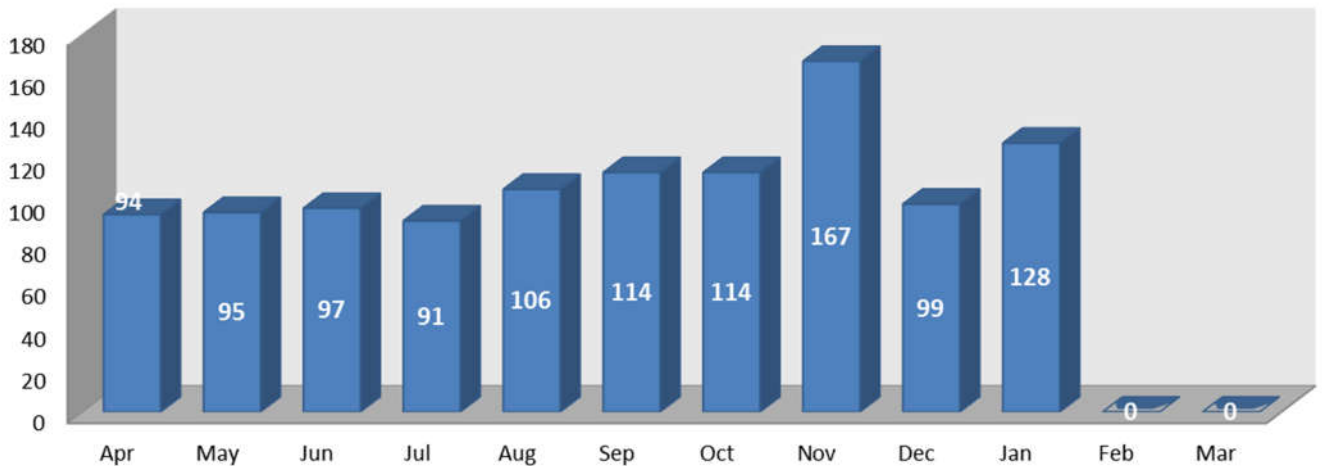
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Could You be a Supporter?

We are actively seeking funds through grants and donations – would you consider donating something on a regular basis? If you can and are willing, please let our Administrator (Dave) know and he will tell you how to do it e-mail: admin@theneedproject.co.uk. Lots of small monthly donations can become a big amount of funding every month. Annual or one-off donations are good too. Together we can make a difference.

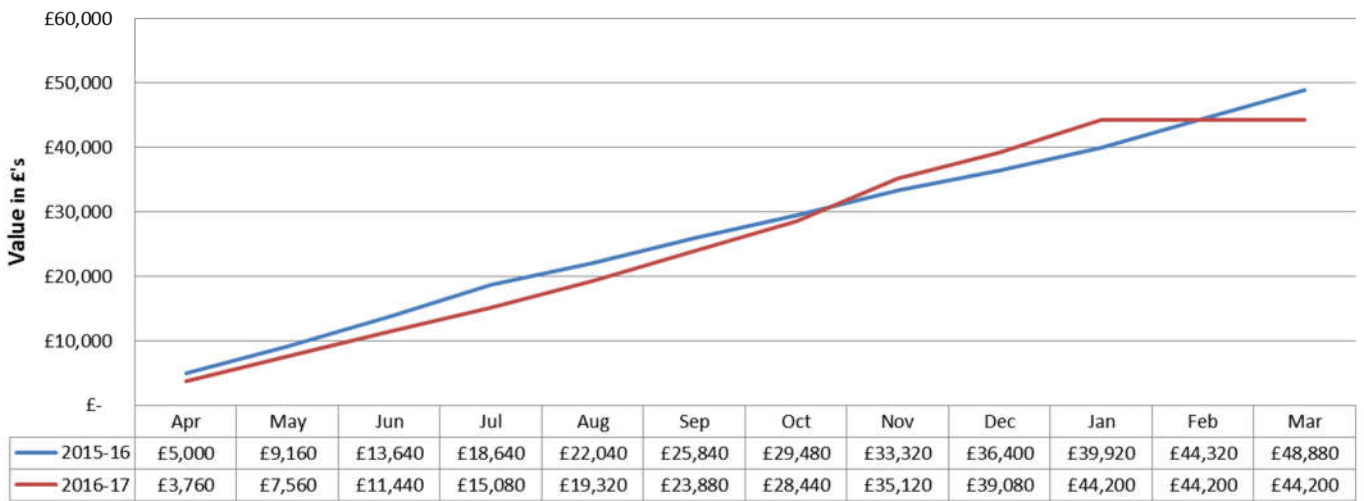
Statistics

Food Parcels per Month 2016-17



In addition to the parcels in December, there were 441 other Christmas food parcels.

Cumulative Value of Food Delivered @ £40 per Parcel



The December value does not include £20,850 for Christmas parcels.

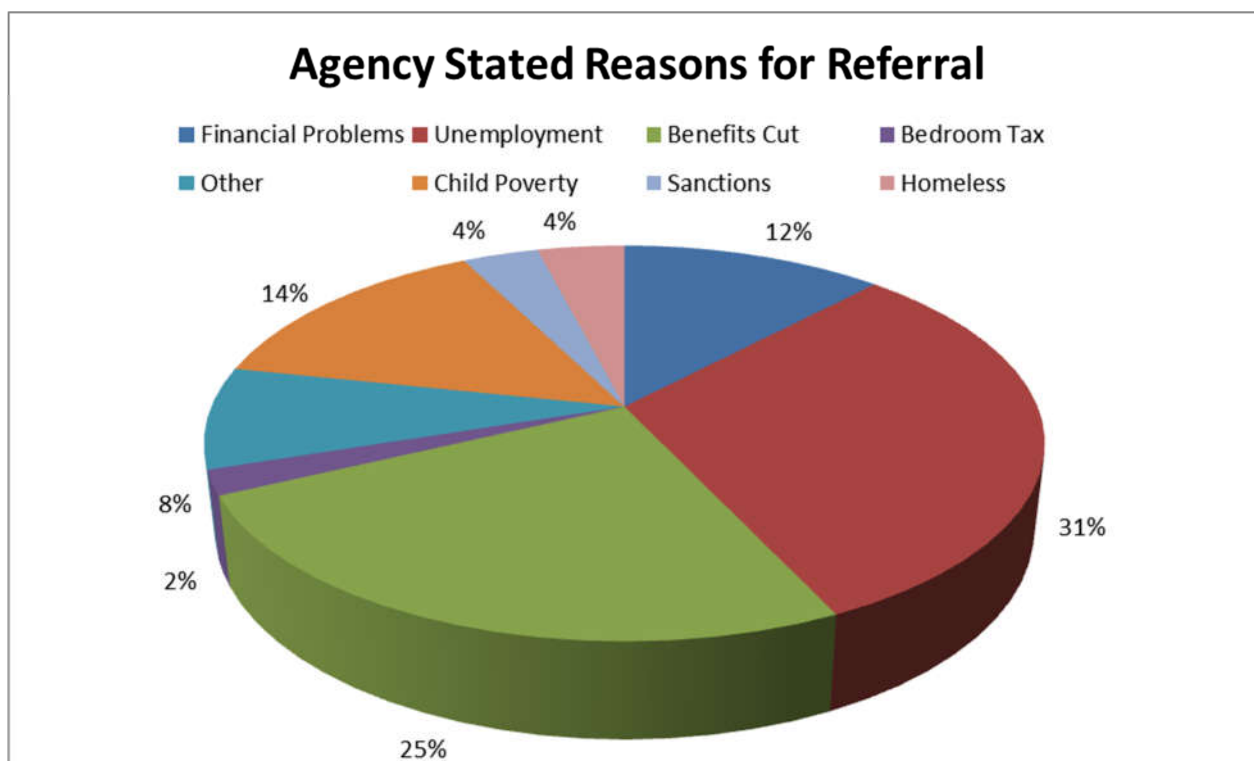
“Thank you very much for our hamper it was delicious and really helped us going over Christmas .it is such a lovely idea and much appreciated D.W”

*“Thank you very much for your help God bless you
Lots of love S.S”*

Adults & Children Served

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Adults	135	131	149	125	155	160	159	242	134	187
Children	134	157	149	117	147	178	147	259	164	201
Age 0-4	56	75	75	49	67	67	60	116	60	97
Age 5-10	42	48	42	38	46	65	34	81	60	80
Age 11-17	36	34	33	30	37	44	54	62	44	24

Plus 656 adults and 663 children in December's Christmas parcels.



Over half of referrals are due to unemployment or changes to benefits.

Communities Served By Each Distribution Hub

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTALS
Stotfold	16	13	17	12	14	23	20	28	12	26	0	0	181
Arlesey	10	12	9	7	9	9	9	11	4	13	0	0	93
Bedford	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Beeston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairfield Park	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hitchin	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	7
Ickleford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kimpton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Royston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sharnbrook	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tadlow	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Letchworth	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	5	7	4	0	0	19
Kempston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STOTFOLD HUB	<i>Average per month for StotfoldHub</i>												30

"Hi this is L from B I just want to thank you for our food hamper it helped us out so much .Happy new year"

*"Thank you and your team so much you truly are wonderful people ,your kindness truly humbles me
God bless you all and thank you again P."*

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTALS
Sandy	15	13	12	12	14	13	23	16	10	10	0	0	138
Potton	4	3	3	3	1	0	3	9	3	12	0	0	41
Blunham	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Everton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gamlingay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moggerhanger	0	1	3	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	10
Sutton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tempsford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wrestlingworth	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SANDY HUB	<i>Average per month for Sandy Hub</i>												19

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTALS
Flitwick	4	7	8	3	4	2	5	10	4	7	0	0	54
Maulden	1	0	4	1	3	0	1	3	1	1	0	0	15
Wilstead	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	8
Barton	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Houghton Conquest	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	5
Silsoe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Westoning	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Clophill	1	0	1	4	2	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	14
Amphill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harlington	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	8
Haynes	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	8
Pulloxhill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ridgemont	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Toddington	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Woburn	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3
FLITWICK HUB	<i>Average per month for Flitwick Hub</i>												12

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTALS
Shefford	6	6	3	5	3	13	8	15	10	15	0	0	84
Langford	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Campton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Chicksands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clifton	1	0	1	4	2	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	14
Gravenhurst	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Henlow	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	8
Lower Stondon	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	7
Meppershall	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Southill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shillington	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	8
SHEFFORD HUB	<i>Average per month for Shefford Hub</i>												13

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTALS
Marston Moretaine	3	3	2	1	5	1	3	2	4	3	0	0	27
Lidlington	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	7
Cranfield	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	10
Stewartby	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wootton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MARSTON HUB	<i>Average per month for Marston Hub</i>												4

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTALS
Biggleswade	11	14	11	10	12	14	11	20	9	7	0	0	119
Dunton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Upper Caldecote	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Northill	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Biggleswade Hub	<i>Average per month for Biggleswade Hub</i>												12

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	TOTALS
Out of Area	9	11	17	23	31	27	19	24	25	14	0	0	200

Includes Dunstable, Stevenage, Baldock, Leighton Buzzard and others.

“

Hi Gordon it was lovely to meet you today ,thanks a million for the gifts for the many ladies we serve the will be blessed S.R Beauty for ashes.”

Furniture & Furnishings

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	TOTALS
KITCHEN			1					
Cooker	1	1						
Fridge	3					1		5
Freezer								1
Fridge Freezer			1	1	1			9
Microwave				2				4
Kettle							2	2
Washing machine	1		2	1			4	10
Toaster							2	2
Crockery, cutlery, pots & pans	2	1		3	1		1	8
LIVING ROOM								
3 Piece Suite	4	1	2					7
Settee or Sofa	1		1		3		1	13
Tables, Chairs	5		2		2		2	13
Furnishings & Other Furniture	5	1		6	5	1	6	32
Book cases, display cabinets etc	3				2			5
ELECTRICAL								
Television	3				1	1		8
DVD player	1							1
Stereo system								0
BEDROOM								
Double bed	4	1	1		5	1	3	15
Single Bed	7		1	2	4	1	2	21
Sofa-bed		1						1
Mattress			6	2	9	2	5	27
Bedding		7	47	4	6		4	70
Cot , Child's Bed, Mattress	1						1	5
Wardrobe	2				1		4	8
Chest of drawers	3	6		1	1		5	20
Other bedroom furniture	5		2	2	4	1		14
MISC.								
Ironing board								0
Iron								1
Hoover							2	3
Baby equipment	2			1	3		2	13
Carpet			1					4
Other						1	6	16
TOTAL ITEMS	53	19	67	25	48	9	52	342
Estimated Value	£2,800.00	£ 550.00	£ 1,200.00	£ 660.00	£1,800.00	£ 350.00	£1,930.00	£12,580.00

“Thank you so much ,I am so grateful, you have given me a beginning. My home is becoming a lovely home Your effort meant so much to me today I send you my gratitude and good wishes for you and your families S.H”

“Good afternoon, I am contacting you to say a massive big thank you for delivering all the furniture items to S.H S is over the moon with everything and cannot believe how lucky she has been Thank you all again for your help regarding this tenant. She is this afternoon feeling that she has a home and is extremely happy” H.R.

Purpose

This report has been compiled to provide our supporters and referral agencies an overview of the extent and growth rate of the project, and demonstrate the public benefits of this project

The information provided maintains our clients confidentially, but does reveal the shocking statistics on the levels of food poverty we with your support are seeking to address across our region.

Who we are

The Need Project Central Bedfordshire exists to provide a Christian response for people in our communities who are facing various situations of need.

The project is overseen as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and run by members of five “hubs”; Kings Baptist Church Stotfold, Flitwick Baptist Church, Sandy Baptist Church, Shefford Baptist Church and Vale Community Church (Baptist) in Marston Moretaine.

We respond to situations of need via confidential referrals processes from multiple agencies and care workers across central Bedfordshire.

All our delivery teams are DBS checked, approved by the leadership teams of the partner churches and have signed confidentiality agreements.

Our objectives

To relieve persons in Central Bedfordshire and the surrounding area that are in poverty or financial hardship in such ways as the Trustees from time to time think fit, in particular, but not exclusively by:

1. Providing food parcels to support individuals and families who are experiencing food deprivation.
2. Providing other items to meet immediate and essential needs, as resources allow.
3. Developing other forms of support to meet immediate need and alleviate financial hardship.

Our values

We are a Christian organisation motivated by Jesus’ teaching on poverty and injustice. We operate according to Christian principles of compassion, honesty, integrity, openness, kindness and care of all people, regardless of backgrounds or beliefs (or none). 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.

How we operate

The Need Project has a system of networks that have been developed as the project has grown. We rely on the network of donors who generously support the project with food and funds, and the network of care workers and agencies that connect us with hungry people who we take food too.

Please pass this report on to anyone who would be interested in the work of the Need Project.

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