



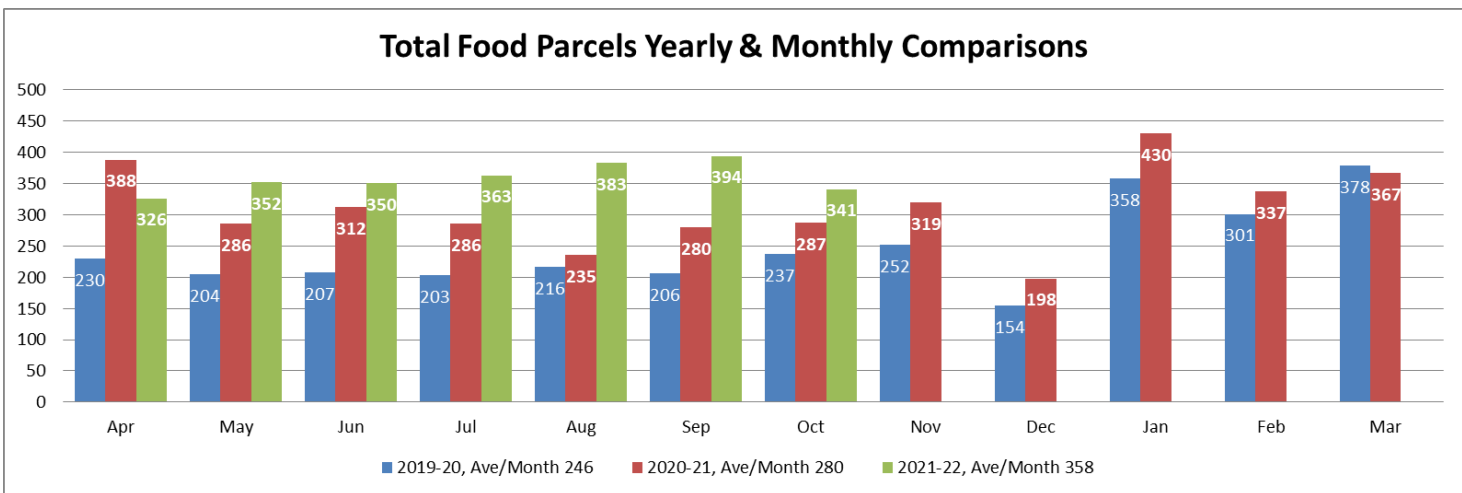
"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat"

[Matthew 25:35]

Serving Jesus in His most distressing disguise

Established 2008

Need Project Report – End of Year Oct 2021



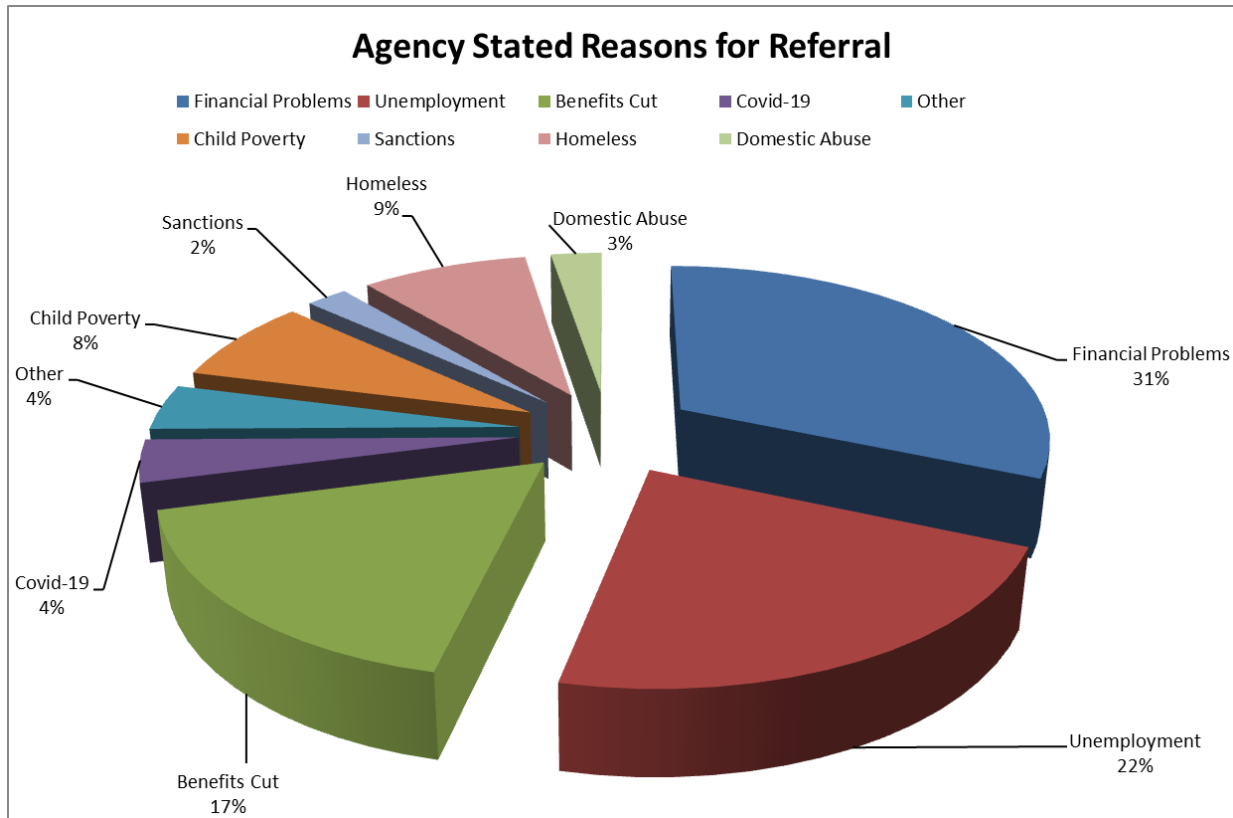
October was a bit quieter due to the half term school holidays with 341 referrals.



In addition to all our food parcels, we also give away fresh food that is approaching use by dates. Food is collected directly from our centre(s) at Stotfold & Sandy.

Around 300 families are helped out each month.

Statistics



Where Financial Problems have been cited on the referral form, but no details given, they have not been recorded. Nor have they been recorded where other reasons such as unemployment or benefit cuts are given. Just about everyone that is referred has financial difficulty impacting them being able to buy food.

Hubs Summary	Total to Date	Monthly Average
Flitwick	202	29
Sandy	593	85
Stotfold	378	54
Shefford	309	44
Biggleswade	176	25
Marston Moretaine	67	10
Out of Area	175	25
Gamlingay	415	59

A new hub at Gamlingay was set up in September.

Total value to date at £54 per parcel	£ 135,486.00
Total value this month at £54 per parcel	£ 18,414.00

Children	Age 0-4	Age 5-10	Age 11-17	Adults	Total
Totals (yr)	2237	1491	1247	3675	8650

Feeding those that cannot buy food for themselves is what we do.

Furniture, Furnishings and White Goods

Items			Actual items includes		
White goods	2	£ 200.00	Cookers	0	£ -
Beds	6	£ 180.00	Fridges/freezers	1	£ 100.00
Bedroom furniture	0	£ -	Suites/sofas	1	£ 150.00
Lounge furniture	1	£ 150.00	Washing machines	1	£ 100.00
Misc & baby equip	6	£ 130.00	Microwaves	0	£ -
Bedding	19	£ 101.00	TV's / DVD players	0	£ -
Estimated value		£ 761.00	Estimated value		£ 350.00
Tot Est Value for Month			Tot Est Value Year to date		
		£ 776.00			£ 4,746.00

Despite restrictions on being able to supply furniture, we were still able to supply some families with limited items. We have had to turn down a few requests again. The situation is expected to remain the same for a while.

There's a Cost.

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? If you can and are willing, please let our Administrator (Dave Marchant) know and he will tell you how to do it e-mail:

admin@theneedproject.co.uk. A big "Thank You" to those that have been making donations each month.

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.

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

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