



Thurrock foodbank provides emergency food supplies to local people in crisis within the borough. Foodbank fills a real and ongoing need in our local area, but we need food donations, financial gifts and more volunteers to help collect and distribute the food. If you can assist, just email info@thurrock.foodbank.org.uk

Emergency food for local people in crisis: Thurrock people helping Thurrock people

WELCOME TO OUR NEW OPERATIONS MANAGER



We are pleased to welcome our new Operations Manager, Peter Newall. Peter is married and has two children. He is a Church Warden at St Luke's Cranham and is an Authorised Local Preacher. His interests are football (he supports West Ham), he played Rugby for Upminster RFC, likes music and the theatre and has a 1978 VW Camper! Before joining the foodbank he worked for the Ford Motor Co. for 37 years where he started as an apprentice before, later, having roles as a Purchasing Manager and Program Manager for the Transit programs. He says "I am looking forward to taking on the role of Operations Manager and hope in the fullness of time to meet as many of you as possible. To contact me the best email address for me is info@thurrock.foodbank.org.uk".

WHAT A HARVEST!

This is the time of year when churches and schools traditionally celebrate by holding their "Harvest Festivals" and many of them choose the Thurrock foodbank as the charity to receive their donations of non-perishable food. We are so grateful for this support at a time of year when our food stocks can be low after the Summer Holidays. The picture is of the display of donated food at Tudor Court Primary School in Chafford Hundred



ANNUAL TESCO SUPERMARKET COLLECTION

We have our big annual supermarket collection at TESCO in Lakeside from Thursday 21st to Saturday 23rd November. This is a very important 3 days for us as we collect donations of food and cash from the shoppers in time for the Christmas period when we anticipate that our general donations will be lower. We urgently need teams of volunteers to hand out leaflets, chat with customers and collect donations. We divide the days up into 2 hour sessions between 9am and 5pm, So that's twelve 2 hour sessions over the three days with teams of approx. 6 – 8 at each session. If you can help that would be amazing. Please email: warehouse@thurrock.foodbank.org.uk if you can.



OUR SHOPPING LIST

At the beginning of October we have shortages of:

- * Tinned fish
- * Long-life fruit juice
- * Vegetable soup
- * Long-life liquid milk
- * Pasta Sauce
- * Dried Mashed potato

Our shortages vary week by week so to have the latest situation see our website (where you will also find where we have "drop off" points) or download the foodbank app onto your smartphone.

OUR ANNUAL CONCERT

For the past several years the CDOT Voices have given an excellent concert in aid of the foodbank. This year it is on Friday 8th November at 8pm. The venue is the Socketts Heath Baptist church and tickets, which are available from the foodbank warehouse are priced at £7.50. Do come along and support both the foodbank and the choir. Thank you for your support.

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