

Newsletter



Welcome to the latest news from Billingham & Stockton Borough Foodbank
March 2025

The biggest thank you!



***Stockton & Hartlepool
Green Party***



***The Skills Academy
Billingham & Stockton***



***The Stockton
Soroptomists***

We're already a couple of months into 2025 but before we hit the ground running into Spring we had to stop and say the most heartfelt thank you to **YOU!**

Throughout the Harvest season, Christmas and festive collections in Tesco, we have been blown away by the generosity shown to Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank centres.

Between October and December 2024, we were able to support 814 adults and 434 children. That's a total of 1248 local people in Billingham and Stockton who have been directly helped by your kindness and we really couldn't do this without you.

To see even more photos from all the amazing donations, head to our Facebook page and give us a follow.



***Michael & Duncan from
Billingham***



***Bede Sixth Form
College***



***Geoff and the 'O'Gits'
walking group***

We ♥ our volunteers!



Our volunteers make our foodbank centres go around and we couldn't be without them!

At both our Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank centres we have regular teams of people who join us every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

They do a range of jobs and no two days are the same. They check fresh, donated produce for best before and use by dates, pack our food parcels, talk to clients, make cups of tea and coffee, tidy, clean, organise and anything else that we ask them to do! Essentially, their vital support helps us to ensure that everyone who walks through our door feels welcome.



Our warehouse volunteers and drivers work out of our new Stockton food warehouse. From Monday to Thursday the team collect donations, deliver essential supplies to our Foodbank centres, check and organise stock and keep our warehouse safe, clean and ready for action!

Did you also know that our Stockton Foodbank centre in Hebron Church is overseen by a volunteer manager? Andrea runs the Foodbank, looks after our volunteers, talks to clients and keeps a very busy centre running smoothly and efficiently.

We are so fortunate to have such amazing people who give up their precious time to help us and we are grateful for them every day. Absolute legends!

Can you believe Easter is peeking around the corner already?

Help us give our clients some sweet memories and donate some tasty treats for them to enjoy with their food parcels.

Drop donations directly to our food warehouse in Stockton or get in touch with us via email or phone to arrange a delightful delivery to us.



Easter eggs appeal

Help our food bank provide Easter eggs in the parcels we'll be giving out this Easter.

Please bring all chocolates and Easter eggs to us by **Friday 28 March.**

Get in touch to arrange delivering your donations to us:

07759 486903 / 07583 575522 or info@billinghamstocktonboroughfoodbank.org.uk

Thank you!



**Ending hunger
together**

Thank you to our communities



Fundraising by the local community



Foodbank Manager, Helen Winspear and Store Manager, Michelle Marlborough



The in-store food donation station

A huge thank you to local residents and the staff of Sainsburys in Clifton Avenue, Billingham, who have been fundraising for Billingham and Stockton Borough Foodbank. So far this year they have raised £920 through Comic Relief!

In store there is also a regular donation station where customers can add additional items to their shopping basket. This is regularly collected by our warehouse staff and volunteers and is added to food parcels that help local people in need.

Helen Winspear, our foodbank manager, met with Michelle Marlborough, the store manager to find out more. Michelle told us that Sainsburys has a long history of building strong partnerships and supporting local communities by addressing food poverty.

Store colleagues regularly organise fundraising and volunteer their own time for local good causes. We are so grateful for all the support and give massive thanks everyone who is involved.



A donation drop off from North Tees NHS Trust

Incredible support for Stockton

Our thanks also go to residents and businesses in Stockton who generously donate to us.

We are so fortunate to receive regular financial donations and bags of much-needed items for our food parcels.

The kindness and care we are shown is truly humbling and we are thankful everyday!

Corporate Volunteering

Do you work for a local organisation and have some hours spare for corporate volunteering?

Come and join us at Billingham & Stockton Borough Foodbank or our food warehouse in Stockton and help us to support local people in need.

At our foodbank centres you could be doing everything from packing fresh or pre-packaged produce to chatting with our clients.

At our warehouse*, you will work with our team to organise and distribute donated food and products ready to Billingham and Stockton centres for client food parcels.

We look forward to welcoming you at Billingham & Stockton Borough Foodbank centres soon!



***Thank you to Galliford Try
for sending multiple teams of volunteers during
their Preston Park project***



***Thank you to Barclaycard
for the corporate volunteer £500 grant***



***Thank you to In-Bond Warehousing
for a £100 donation and their volunteering time***



***Thank you to teams from Johnson Matthey
who were a huge help during our warehouse
move***



***Thank you to Cummins
for all their volunteer time***

Would you like to join us for some corporate volunteering?

Send us an email for more details:

info@billinghamstocktonboroughfoodbank.org.uk

*Please note only organisations with their own PPE safety equipment can volunteer at our warehouse.

How you can support us

5 items we need this week

- ✓ Tinned vegetables
- ✓ Jam and spreads
- ✓ Longlife milk
- ✓ Tinned meat / fish
- ✓ Tinned soup

Date: March 2025

Do you want to help out your local foodbank? As well as donating food either directly to us at our Stockton food warehouse or at your local supermarket drop-off point, there are additional ways you can support us.

You could donate money to us either as a regular giver or as a one-off donation. This will help us to continue to fund our project and support our clients in their time of need.

Open the camera on your phone and scan the QR code for more details.



	Opening Hours	
Warehouse	Monday to Thursday	10am to 12pm (noon)
Billingham Foodbank	Tuesday & Thursday	11am to 2pm
Stockton Foodbank Hebron Church	Wednesday & Friday	10am to 1pm



Did you know you can follow us on Facebook?

Find us at: Billingham & Stockton Borough Foodbank

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