

Foodbank Newsletter

July 2026

St Albans Half Marathon

A huge thank you to our runners who stormed through the St Albans Half Marathon on 14th June.

Collectively they raised over **£2,400** which will directly support people in the local area who use our foodbanks.



Our volunteers also got involved on the day, marshalling the 5K course – cheering everyone on and keeping spirits high! Thank you, as always, for your incredible support.

Why giving money is a great way to support our foodbank.

While food donations remain an important part of our work, financial donations can make an even bigger impact. Financial donations allow us to buy food in bulk at lower prices, so every pound goes further. We can also purchase the items we need most, when we need them.

Regular financial donations help us plan ahead, respond quickly to rising demand, and cover the essential costs of running the foodbank.

Additionally, if you're a UK taxpayer, Gift Aid means that every £10 you give could be worth £12.50 to us, at no extra cost to you.



Every gift, no matter the size, helps us provide vital support to local people when they need it most. We are incredibly grateful for every contribution we receive.

Scan the QR code to donate, or see our website.



We opened up our warehouse doors to our supporters.

Last month, we hosted our first Impact Event – inviting local companies, schools, religious organisations, and donors to see the impact of their support.

It was really heartwarming to see so many people brave the soaring temperatures, to learn about the work we do through our *More Than a Foodbank* model.

Many people hadn't realised the extent of the support we offer local residents. It's not just food we provide. We really do take it further. Our Wellbeing Team offers extensive support – from helping with college applications, liaising with healthcare workers, and sourcing baby clothes. With Citizens Advice on site, people can quickly access support with debt, finances, housing, and more. We want to help people move out of crisis, to a point where they no longer need a foodbank. The emergency food is just the beginning.

Thank you so much to everyone who attended – it was lovely to see you and we look forward to continuing our work together.



Life can get harder in the school holidays

They should be some of the happiest weeks of the year for children and parents, but for low-income families, the school holidays can be some of the hardest – with added childcare bills and lost work hours, on top of the increasing cost of food and essentials.

We support many local families through the school holidays with food, toiletries and practical support. We couldn't do it without your support, thank you.

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Thank you a thousand times for my wonderful food parcel – great riches in these harsh times! A great morale boost too!

