

More than Food

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npower Fuel Bank™







Local people donate the food

- 2 tonnes every month!





Volunteers sort the food by type and date





Food is stored ready for distribution





Kingston Foodbank give vouchers to organisations to refer people who need help. Foodbank vouchers are exchanged for 3 days of food at a foodbank centre. We partner with 200 front line services / agencies in KIngston





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Foodbanks take time to listen and signpost to other services where necessary.







Kingston Foodbank can also give a voucher to help with the cost of electricity or gas.



Life Line







Foodbank Vouchers Redeemed







Referrals to Foodbank by main crisis types





Some reasons why people may be left with no money for food

- 1. Change in immigration status
- 2. Moving from welfare to work
- 3. Loss of additional hours (eg overtime)
- 4. Bedroom tax and unable/unwilling to move
- 5. Unable to navigate a complex benefits system
- 6. Money stopped by Work Capability Assessment
- 7. Loss of job through contract not being renewed or ill health
- 8. Relationship breakdown and no access to bank accounts
- 9. Recently released from prison
- 10. Transition to Universal Credit



Responding to the challenges

- 1. Toolkit for budgeting, shopping and meals planning
- 2. Special support for Immigration appeal cases
- 3. Developing Advocacy support in every Foodbank centre
- 4. Developing Debt advice support in every Foodbank centre
- 5. Delivering successful employability outcomes
- 6. Delivering increased accommodation outcomes



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