

Sep/Oct 2020 Newsletter

Autumn Challenges

Hello all, it has been a crazy, but productive few months, today I will try and bring you up to speed with the latest goings on within Newquay Foodbank. As we head into Lock Down 2, I would like to say a MASSIVE THANKYOU to you all for keeping us going. It is only through the immense team effort that we see week on week, that we are able to meet the demand presented by the chaos of COVID-19. We continue to be there for anyone who needs us, whatever their background or employment status, where people cannot provide for themselves or their families we will continue to support via Food Parcels and to direct them onwards to a support plan with the ultimate aim of getting them back on their feet. Thank you and let us keep doing this! **Enjoy**

Latest News

The Support We Gave

We have seen a drop off in clients supported compared with the surge at the first height of the COVID-19 Crisis and, indeed, numbers are now lower in comparison to last year. However, we believe this drop is due to the increase in grants for pop up food support projects, which are being offered at this time. It is fantastic that there are so many sources of help, out there, and we are working really well with some of these ventures. However, as funding for these dry up, it may be that we see our numbers increase once again. We will be ready when they do, however, we continue to pray for a day where this type of support is no longer required.

Month Comparison over the last 3 years.

Total Boxes Given Out				Total Number of People Supported			
	2018	2019	2020		2018	2019	2020
Aug	60	115	86	Aug	127	222	151
Sep	71	120	72	Sep	181	233	133
Oct	93	102	93	Oct	220	171	179

Introducing Sally Power – New Part Time Employee

As many of you are now aware Rosie Corr was unable to join, due to a full time job offer, We wish her all the best. But do not worry, as one amazing individual steps away another fantastic lady steps in, just when we need her the most!





Sally Power joined us on 4th October and has already got stuck in, so would have met most of you. Her position of 20 hours

a week has been kindly funded through Wrap and the Cornwall Community Foundation. She has taken over as Session Manager at St Michaels and is running as the main Point of contact for our transfer to Trussell Trust, which is a massive help to the Committee.





A note from Sally

Hi, I'm Sally. I am so happy to be working for Newquay. I currently volunteer as safeguarding officer for a local charity Wave Slaves Surf Club. Employment history is varied most recent is retail management but have experience in customer service, social media monitoring, administration and more.

I enjoy spending time with my family and swimming in the sea. I am really looking forward to working with all the amazing people involved with the Food Bank and can't wait to get stuck in.

Trussell Trust Update



We continue to align our processes to Trussell Trust and so far, the changes you will have noticed include:

- New Website In the Process of being set up, same URL.
 - **New branding** Inc IDs and Clothing IDs are being replaced. Clothing with old branding will be maintained and replaced as it wears out. New clothing will have the new logo on
 - **Weighing in and out of stock** This is now being done at all sites, thank you for your patience as we get used to this new method of working.

Mayors Commendation

This was mentioned in the last Newsletter , so I will not go into too much detail other than to say another fantastic well done to everyone who has been involved in any way with the Foodbank over its years of existence. This prestigious award was presented by the Newquay Mayor, Louis Gardner, to a small group of representatives from the Foodbank in September and I have included a copy of the certificate for you all, without every one of your efforts the Foodbank would not be the success it is, in meeting the need of the local community.



Donations

I am always amazed and grateful for all the donations that come our way. Without these we cannot continue doing the work we are doing. We have had some fantastic donations over the last few months, So, thank you to everyone involved. Whilst I always hate the risk of offending some by not mentioning their donations, please be sure we are grateful, however, I would like to give a few shout outs which go to Clevedon Road Gardens For fundraising by selling locally sourced plants, Fresh point for their ongoing support and the recent donation of £600. Morrisons for continuing to be the amazing people they are, indeed, all of the supermarkets that hold our donation points, Sainsburys, Aldi, Asda, Perranporth Coop and Barclays Bank, Chester Road. Also, thank you to the Trenance Learning Academy and Headland Hotel for their generosity. Some exciting things coming in the future from Headland, watch this space.





Harvest Donations



We know autumn is here when the Harvest donations start to come in and it is often these donations that get us through the Christmas period, but with the COVID-19 crisis preventing many congregations from meeting and forcing many restrictions onto every group setting, we were wondering how this would affect these Collections. However, it is a credit to the Community to know that despite everything the donations came in, from Schools and Churches. Thank you to everyone who contributed and donated.

Celtic & Co

Those who know me well, know that it is not often that I am left speechless, however the recent donation by Celtic & Co left me exactly that. When you are contacted reference a donation, you are so incredibly grateful, whatever the amount, however, to receive a check for £10,509.00 just took my breath away. Celtic & Co stated:

"We hope this donation from the sale of our Knitted Face Masks will help Newquay Foodbank deliver more essential food for local people in need." Founder of Celtic & Co., Nick Whitworth.



That it certainly will do. Thank you to Nick and Kath and to all at Celtic &Co,

for this outstanding donation. If we think back to last September where we had just £500 in the bank and were struggling week to week to meet the demand, it is this and other incredible donations that have turned us around and enabled us to focus on our core role of supporting the Community, without having to constantly fear the funds would not match the need. Thank you, to everyone who has thought of us and dug deep to ensure we meet not only the everyday Food Crisis Challenge, but also the extra expenses sent our way as a result of COVID-19.

Fundraising



The Fundraising team are pleased to announce that we have been selected as a local charity with Co-op. This means that anyone who selects us as their local Charity will be automatically donating to us, every time they spend money at Co-op. This is an exciting opportunity which has the possibility of raising lots of

funds for the Foodbank. Please could we ask everyone who would like to support us, and is a member of Co-op to go on and select us on their member login page, to find out more view our cause page below:

https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/44180

If you are not a member but would like to support us in this manner, then signing up is easy either in branch or online.



Upcoming Events

I am very happy to announce that we have recently been awarded a grant to take all of our lovely Volunteers out for a meal to say a big Thank you for all their amazing support. Unfortunately, the Government guidelines for COVID-19 still make this impossible at this time, however, be confident, as soon as this changes and it is safe to do so, we will ensure everyone who wishes to, has the opportunity to join us for a get together and celebrate everything we have achieved.



Time Credits – New Credits in!!!

Whilst the latest lock down prevents us using the Time Credits, they are still on offer. Why not continue saving them and, when the guidelines relax, take the whole family out to the cinema, seal sanctuary or Minnack Theatre amongst others locally. Alternatively, if you fancy a trip to London, take your credits with you and use them at St Pauls Cathedral or listening to the London Symphony Orchestra. The opportunities are far and wide.

Sally Power has taken charge of the organisation of this, so if you want to get involved or believe you are owed time credits, missed over this period due to them being out of stock, please get in touch with Sal at administrator@newquayfoodbank.co.uk.

Go to the Time Credits Website for more info.



Until Next Time

Thank you all for your ongoing support, until I see you or write to you again, stay safe.

Steph Carlyon secretary@newquayfoodbank.co.uk

Great Links

Newquay Foodbank

- Main Website
- Public Facebook Page
- Private Volunteer only Facebook page
- Emergency Volunteer Facebook page
- Online Donation link
- Trussell Trust

Funding

- Cornwall Community Foundation
- Transformation Cornwall

Support to those in need

- Volunteer Cornwall
- Age UK Winter Well Being

- Cornwall Council Winter wellbeing

Training

- Safeguarding Training
- Safeguarding Children and Young people
- Designated Safeguarding Lead Training

Grants received

- Wrap Grant
- Ocean Housing Hardship Fund
- <u>Cornwall Community Foundation</u>
- National Lottery Fund

Expanded Links for those not viewing this online

Newquay Foodbank

- Main Website
 - http://www.newquayfoodbank.co.uk/
- Public Facebook Page
 - o https://www.facebook.com/Newquay-Foodbank-699984567032215/
- Private Volunteer only Facebook page
 - https://www.facebook.com/groups/2705306319526271/



- Emergency Volunteer Facebook page
 - https://www.facebook.com/groups/151879509381279/
- Online Donation link
 - https://donate.justgiving.com/donationamount?uri=aHR0cHM6Ly9kb25hdGUtYXBpLmp1c3RnaXZpbmcuY29tL2FwaS9kb25hdGlvbnMvZTVm MDZIZmRhNGI0NDBiYWFiOWZkODdkMzg5NzAyNzU=
- Trussell Trust
 - https://www.trusselltrust.org/

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 - o https://www.cornwallcommunityfoundation.com/
 - Transformation Cornwall
 - https://transformation-cornwall.org.uk/

Support to those in need

- Volunteer Cornwall
 - https://www.volunteercornwall.org.uk/
- Age UK Winter Well Being
 - https://www.ageuk.org.uk/information-advice/health-wellbeing/keep-well-this-winter/
 - Cornwall Council Winter wellbeing
 - https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/winterwellbeing

Training

- Safeguarding Training
 - https://www.minded.org.uk/Component/Details/506011
- Safeguarding Children and Young people
 - https://portal.e-lfh.org.uk/Component/Details/390901
- Designated Safeguarding Lead Training
 - https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/childrens-services/cornwall-and-isles-of-scillysafeguarding-children-partnership/learning/safeguarding-training/training-courses/new-designatedsafeguarding-lead/

Grants received

- Wrap Grant
 - o http://www.wrap.org.uk/content/covid-19-emergency-surplus-food-grant-phase-2
- Ocean Housing Hardship Fund
 - $\circ \quad https://www.oceanhousing.com/hardship-fund-support/$
- Cornwall Community Foundation
 - o https://www.cornwallcommunityfoundation.com/
- National Lottery Fund
 - https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/





Mayor's Commendation

This is to certify that

Newquay Foodbank

has received the Mayor's Commendation for 2020/2021 for

Commitment to those in need in Newquay

Councillor Louis Gardner Mayor of Newquay