

OCTOBER 2017

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:-

Could you spare **just an hour or two** on Friday 27th October to help raise funds for Larne Foodbank?



If you could help with a bag pack in

DUNNES STORES

please phone the foodbank office
2827 7530



or email: info@larne.foodbank.org.uk

Tuesday 19th December :-
Packing of Christmas Hampers in
Craigyhill Baptist Church Halls

9.30am -1.00pm

Wednesday 20th –

Thursday 21st

December :-

Delivery of Christmas Hampers

If you can help with any of the above please contact the office on **028 28277530** or email on info@larne.foodbank.org.uk

Thank you.

HARVEST

We are so grateful to all the Churches, Schools, Groups and Individuals who have donated food and toiletries over this harvest season. We really appreciate your sharing of the Harvest and this boost of stock in the run up to our busiest time of year and as we prepare for the preparation of Christmas Hampers.

HALF YEARLY FIGURES

In 2016, April to September, Larne Foodbank gave out three days supply of food to 309 adults and 94 children, a total of 403 people. This year, 2017, LFB has fed 404 adults, 228 children, a total of 632 people. We are so grateful to those who make it possible. Thank you for your continued support and for responding to our requests.

A BIG THANK YOU TO MEACA

We had a great night at the Lawn Bowling and Tennis Club at the quiz organised by Mid and East Antrim Citizens Advice. Thank you to the MEACA Team, to Michael Campbell BEM our wonderful Quizmaster and to all who supported the evening. An amazing £472 was raised for the work of Larne Foodbank. Thank you.



MEACA AGM

Alex and Patricia Munro represented Larne Foodbank at the recent MEACA AGM where Alex expressed our appreciation of the relationship that has developed between MEACA and Larne Foodbank and thanked them for all the advice and support we have received. Alex was interested to hear how Welfare Reform is affecting local people and about the roll out of Universal Credit. It was astounding to hear how many people Citizens Advice are helping and how much income is being generated. We are indebted to MEACA for all that they do in our community.

SWAP MEET

A group of local people once again got together to swap their no longer needed clothes, toys etc. And in the process thought of the Foodbank and donated food toiletries and £110. We are so grateful to you for this innovative way of helping local people in need. Thank you so much.



EMERGENCY MOBILE PHONE

There are currently only three people sharing the rotation of the emergency phone and we would like to invite others to volunteer in order that we can have regular rotation for shorter periods. The purpose of holding the emergency phone is to answer any calls outside office hours and signpost them to opening hours of distribution or to the office, whichever is appropriate. On average we receive two or three calls per month. On the rare occasion that someone needs food urgently you will have a colleague to accompany you to pack up the food. This will be at a time that suits you.



If you think you can help with this please let me know through the office on 028 28277530 or info@larne.foodbank.co.uk

Thank you, Joan