

Welcome and thank you

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HARVEST COLLECTION CHECKLIST & GUIDE

	GET IN TOUCH Register your Harvest Collection Point on our website: weareac.org/how-you-can-help/events/harvest
	LOCATION, LOCATION! Decide the best place for your collection point, somewhere that's easy for people to see & access.
0	IT'S ALL IN THE DETAILS Decide the dates your collection will open & close. Provide a box or table for donations to be left. Print & display copies of our "Celebrate Harvest" & "What we need" posters
0	SPREAD THE WORD Tell friends, family, colleagues, club members, classmates etc about your collection and what & how to donate - display posters, send emails, post on social media #harvestagainsthunger we've even prepared some for you
0	READY TO GO Pack up your collection in bags/boxes. Book a time slot on our website (weareac.org/book-a-time) to drop your donation off at our Warehouse. Or If you have a large number of items please get in touch (warehouse@weareac.org) as we may be able to arrange a collection.
	FEEL GOOD You've made a difference and supported those in crisis in your community! Spread the feeling by thanking those who donated to your collection!

HARVEST COLLECTION ONLINE

If you're unable to host a physical donation collection point there are still a number of ways you can support our Harvest Appeal.

- 1. Collect financial donations and send us a supermarket shop
- 2. Promote our Amazon Wishlist or set up your own
- 3. Collect financial donations and donate it to Aberdeen Cyrenians

Please let us know about the donation you are sending by emailing Warehouse@weareac.org to ensure someone is available to accept it.

1. COLLECT DONATIONS FOR A SUPERMARKET ORDER

Spread the word and collect money you can use to do a supermarket shop for us. You can do the shop in store and drop it off, or do it online and send us a delivery.

Please arrange delivery to: Aberdeen Cyrenians, Unit 6, Crombie Road, Torry, Aberdeen, AB11 9QQ, Monday to Friday, 9-4pm

2. USING AMAZON WISHLIST

You can also keep it all online by promoting our Amazon wishlist: https://amzn.eu/fuOqCKr

Under 'Business order information' you can enter or leave the PO box empty, then select 'Continue'. Under 'Choose a delivery address', select Aberdeen Cyrenians

Or if you would like to know how many donations your organisation collects, you can create your own wishlist and set the delivery address to the above. This handy guide takes you through the steps for setting it up:

lifewire.com/make-and-share-amazon-wish-list-4685515

3. DONATE YOUR COLLECTION TO ABERDEEN CYRENIANS

You can transfer a collection to us in a number of ways. We accept cash, cheques, bank transfers or online card payments.

Find out how here: weareac.org/donate



HARVEST DONATION POINT

On behalf of Aberdeen Cyrenians

Donate here to protect vulnerable people



Tinned food
Such as fruit,
vegetables, meat
and fish



Instant meals
Such as pot noodles
and super noodles



DessertsSuch as custard and rice pudding



Sauces
Such as curry
or pasta

"Never in my life have I been in receipt of such thought. I cried. It's the first time I felt someone was thinking of us. Thank you so much." - Amanda



Harvest



✓ Priority shopping list:

TINNED FRUIT, VEG & PULSES	TINNED MEAT AND FISH
TINNED DESSERTS	JAM & MARMALADE
BISCUITS, CRISPS & SWEETS	PASTA AND CURRY SAUCES
TEA, COFFEE, HOT CHOCOLATE, DILUTING JUICE & SUGAR	POT NOODLES, SOUP & CUP A SOUP
CEREAL, PORRIDGE & UHT MILK	
SHAMPOO & CONDITIONER	SHOWER GEL
TOOTH BRUSH AND PASTE	SOAP & HANDWASH
RAZORS & SHAVING CREAM	DEODORANT
NEW DOUBLE BEDDING SETS	TOILET ROLL
NEW SOCKS & UNDERWEAR	PET FOOD

Tins

✓ Meat Fish Vegetables Pulses Fruit Desserts

Ready meals

Pasta sauce
Pot noodles
Snacks
Cup a soup
Cereal

Harvest

Aberdeen Cyrenians

Donate food to ease hunger in the north-east

Toiletries

Shampoo
Toothbrush
Razors & cream
Shower gel
Deodorant

Drinks

Tea
Coffee
Hot Choc
Juice
Sugar
UHT milk



OUR PURPOSE AND AMBITION

ABERDEEN CYRENIANS IS FOR SOCIAL GOOD - PARTICULARLY HELPING THE MARGINALISED AND VULNERABLE

Aberdeen Cyrenians helps people in need, especially those who are struggling or left out by society.

We focus on:

- helping people find and keep a place to live
- offering a welcome space where people can drop in for support
- providing health and care services to improve people's wellbeing

We work closely with other organisations and use our combined skills and experience to raise aware about the issues people face, and support people in making lasting, positive changes in their lives.

HOMELESSNESS

- Housing & Tenancy Sustainment
- Poverty & Crisis
- Digital & Financial Inclusion
- Gender Based Violence
- Childhood Trauma & Abuse
- Liberation & Release
- Mental Health& Wellbeing
- Alcohol & Drug Related Harm

WELLBEING INEQUALITY

- Care at Home
- Granite Care Consortium

Our ambition is to prevent homelessness and hospital admissions through a community-based, public health approach that addresses wellbeing disparities. By focusing on prevention and community support, we will reduce pressure on emergency and statutory services, improving wellbeing in the city.

SOCIAL MEDIA, INTRANET and LETTER GUIDE

<u>Thank you</u> for taking the time to organise a Harvest Collection on behalf of Aberdeen Cyrenians. We aim to make it as easy as possible so we've put together some social posts you can share internally or externally to help get your staff, customers, families, and members donating to your collection.

It's entirely up to you if you'd like to use them, but if you find it helpful, just download to use the materials provided and help make your collection a success as well as taking the opportunity to share your commitment to social inclusion.

If your collection point is at work, remember to check if your company might match the donations. If they do, let people know, it's a great incentive to contributions!

Harvest Launch Post







Suggested text:

We're fighting hunger by joining the @AberdeenCyrenians #HarvestAgainstHunger appeal. We'll be collecting donations of food and hygiene items to help people experiencing crisis to ensure no one struggles alone.

If you're able to contribute, you can add some extra items to your shop and drop off your donations at our collection point:

The Start and End dates

Times Open

Location

Donation priorities post





Suggested text:

Not sure what to donate to our #HarvestAgainstHunger collection in aid of Aberdeen Cyrenians? These are the items that are most in demand. Why not add a little extra to your shop and donate it to our food drive?

Collection Point Open post





Suggested text:

Our collection point for #HarvestAgainstHunger is now open!! Please help people experiencing hardship by donating from today. We'll be collecting all donations by <end date> so don't miss out on your opportunity to make a difference.

Thank you and reminder post





Suggested text:

Our huge thanks to everyone that has contributed to our #HarvestAgainstHunger appeal. You still have a few days left to bring in any contributions if you haven't managed to yet. Thank you to everyone for helping people experiencing hunger, hardship, and homelessness.

Draft Email/letter

We recommend attaching the information flyer on priority items included in this pack. You can download it here.

Dear all,

We wanted to let you know that we are hosting a Harvest Donation Point in aid of Aberdeen Cyrenians. The appeal helps provide vital food and essential items for those experiencing poverty and hardship in our local community. If you are able to make a contribution it would be greatly appreciated.

We will be setting up a Donation Point from START DATE to END DATE at LOCATION which will be open TIMES.

Any food items can be donated so long as it doesn't contain alcohol. The most needed foods include tinned meat, tinned fruit and tinned vegetables, sauces for pasta or curry, instant meals such noodles or soup, tea, coffee, sugar, cereals, UHT millk, snacks such as crisps, biscuits and sweets. Other essential items needed are hygiene goods including shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste. For more information please visit: weareac.org/harvest-items

Last year, communities created 106 collection across the city and shire, delivering over £11,000 of food for people unable to afford it. Across the UK, 7.5 million people are living in food-insecure households; including 1 in 5 children. In Scotland, food insecurity is at its highest level recorded. And here in Aberdeen, nearly 1 in 10 residents have gone hungry, with many more limiting their diets just to get by.

These are not just numbers – they represent real people in our community and together, we can help.

Thank you in advance for any contributions you are able to make. If you are struggling yourself and in need of support then please remember that you can reach out to Aberdeen Cyrenians for advice and practical support on 0300 303 0903 | www.weareac.org | Hello@weareac.org

Draft Email/letter for virtual Harvest

We recommend attaching the information flyer on priority items included in this pack. You can download it here.

Dear all,

We wanted to let you know that we are supporting Aberdeen Cyrenian's Harvest Appeal. Due to REASONS, we are unable to host a donation collection point. However, we will be collecting donations to arrange a supermarket delivery to be delivered directly to Aberdeen Cyrenians. The appeal helps provide vital food and essential items for those experiencing poverty and hardship in our local community. If you are able to make a contribution it would be greatly appreciated.

If you are able to contribute, please pay your donation to NAME, ROLE by DATE so that we can plan our food delivery order.

OR If you are able to contribute, please purchase an item from Aberdeen Cyrenian's Amazon Wishlist: https://amzn.eu/fuOqCKr

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