

Trussell Trust Appeal

The last 2 years have changed all our lives and during the lock-down the foodbank continued with reduced volunteer numbers. Glasgow City Council have been excellent in supporting families with food boxes but as we “learn to live with Covid”, that support has stopped.

I’ve been back at the foodbank for the past year or so and we seem to have stepped out of the frying pan and into the fire. We are now faced with a ‘cost of living crisis’ with families plunged into ‘fuel poverty’ and increasingly having to decide whether to “heat or eat”. Sadly we have seen users return packets of spaghetti simply because they can’t afford the electricity to boil a pan of water.

As always, the Trussell relies on direct food donations. It also receives financial donations from individuals as one-off donations or monthly direct debits but the deeds of the Trust mean that we can only buy food and we aren’t allowed to buy non-food items. Food donations are always needed but non-food essentials are also required.

Such donations might include:

- tinned fish
- tinned fruit
- tinned vegetables and pulses
- sugar
- semi-skimmed UHT milk
- breakfast cereals
- biscuits
- diluting juice
- tea
- coffee

Toiletries:

- soap
- shampoo
- toothpaste
- toothbrushes
- razors

Sadly the forecast is that the cost of living crisis will only deepen as inflation rises. With Adam and the Kirk Session’s approval, the collection boxes are now back at the back of the Church (under the big stained-glass window) and all of us at Ibrox Trussell appreciate your continued generosity.

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