

Stirling Aid 2021/2022

Annual Report

Chairman's Statement

Amidst the Pandemic, Last year's donation and purchases network included a connection to high grade NHS visitors. Through these contacts, that included donations via 300 pharmacists, we were able to purchase PPE that was so desperately needed and distributed, Stirling Aid was operating Daily from Central Scotland Islamic Centre This is where donations were dropped off for distribution, with successful vaccinations and masks and successful project of PPE came to a close. We were now able to concentrate on food delivery as the major component for this year's task and as such joined the Interfaith Food Justice Network set up in Glasgow. This was setup as a forum from all Faiths to Join and communally face the challenges before us.

Since the Coronavirus pandemic, Trustees were even more determined to help those in need, especially key workers on the front line. This includes care home staff, delivery drivers, assisting other volunteering organisations too and vulnerable individuals who may not have access to basic essentials and to PPE.

What had started as a single food pick, had grown to situation that commanded daily pickups, travelling across the central belt to get as much food working with Fareshare, primarily Tesco's and occasional Asda's.

By March 2022 we have distributed 79,000kg of food stuff has been delivered for distribution to four main partner organisations, This includes 1002 pickups of food and over 3000 deliveries equating to some 188,600 meals.

Next was keyworker support- and help tackling trauma that associated with the pandemic. By joining the Interfaith Food Justice Network, we started working for people affected by, issues of food provision Stirlingshire to Glasgow City. With a combined approach and share information, resources and support. We have uniquely supported individuals for who are in need and such provide an after-hours service if someone is desperately short of food between 8pm and 1am usually.

It was through this network we were able to be a part of Glasgow's Climate Conference- COP26. We had many food drop offs as part of the Interfaith Group, supporting the indigenous people of South America, able to drop off excess food at St Ninians Church in Pollokshields, for the period they were here.

Encouraging the future generations we teamed up with Kindness Charity and our youth team from Stirling distributed boxes of Toiletries alongside the food that had been delivered over Xmas 2021

As 2022 dawned the War in Ukraine shocked everyone we joined with our sister charities to collect winter donations for Refugees in transit and successfully delivered to Central Warehousing in Glasgow which was then shipped to border points for refugees. This was very tough year. we will continue for the foreseeable future. - Zahir Haider Chairman Stirling Aid

Food Distribution becomes a priority

Working to help Glasgow Housing Association tenants , we help Deliver food those in need with the demand on the outset very heavy Stirling Aid reached out to as many of its contacts as it could and we were able to achieve setting food distribution of the most essential supplies.

The Amount of Food We supplied to Various Organisations

Glasgow Housing Association

Deliveries weekly To Each of the following, Weekly :Distribution includes:

Bread	Veg	Facility	Locale
48 loaves	100 packs	High Rise Flats	Shettleston
120 loaves	120 pack	High Rise Flats	Royston
80 Loaves	70 packs	High Rise	Townhead
10 loaves	30 packs	Individuals	Central Belt

Empower Women For Change

Two Deliveries Per Week, Weekly :Distribution includes:

Bread n Veg	Veg	Facility	Locale
120	120	Foodbank	Glasgow

Monthly Tin food deliveries equated up to 200 per month to help top up.This is mothers and toddlers group as well as foodbank, we donated nappies and other toiletries on regular basis. They operate in St Enoch Area of Glasgow.

Elderpark Community Centre For Change

Two Deliveries Per Week over 5month, Weekly Distribution includes: Serving vulnerable people to tackle poverty and Loneliness in heart of Govan, Glasgow

Bread n Veg	Veg	Facility	Locale
120	120	Foodbank	Glasgow

William Simpsons Hostel, Gorbals

Two Deliveries Per Week over 5month, Weekly :Distribution includes:

Cakes and Desserts	Ready Meals	Facility	Locale
20	30	Foodbank	Glasgow

Housing vulnerable men, in Gorbals Area of Glasgow

Crypt Café, Wellington Church,

Two Deliveries Per Week over 5month period, Weekly :Distribution includes:

Bread	Veg	Facility	Locale
5	60	Church Kitchen	Glasgow

Stirling Aid provided transport services to take fresh veg to supplement the Cafes supplies. They would cook meals often amounting two around 200 in quantity and transported them from the church to the Elderpark Community Food hub in Govan, if there was excess here it was taken to Pierce Institute food pantry in Govan.

Kindness Charity, Glasgow

Three Deliveries Per Week year round, Weekly :Distribution includes:

Bread	Veg	Facility	Locale
180	200	Shop	Glasgow

Kindness group serve Central Glasgow and Setup Nightly Stall at George Square. They have served nearly 55,000 people during the pandemic and our food has regularly been main stay ,backup to their distribution to services users. We have tackled winter distribution and Ukraine Collection with Kindness too.

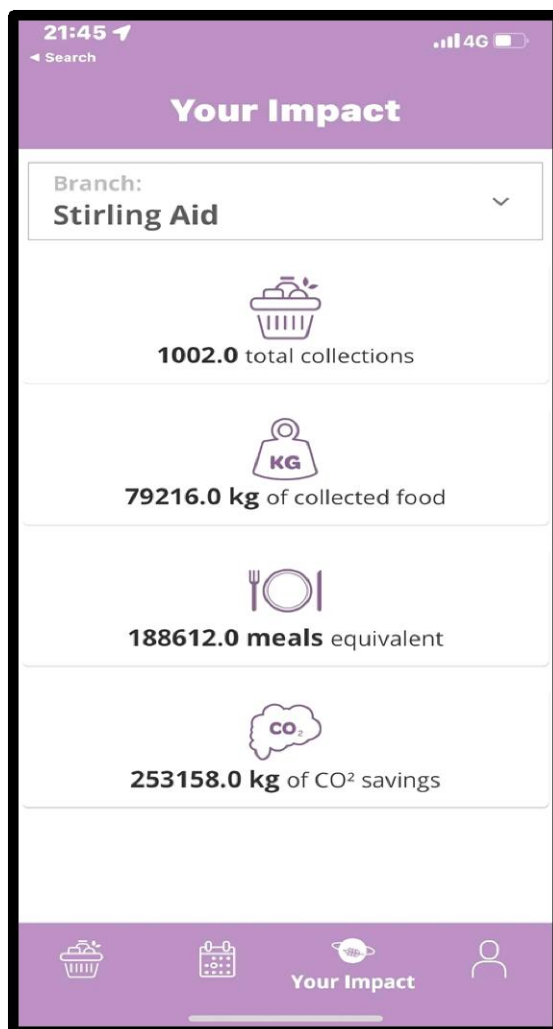
Glasgow Central Mosque's Foodbank,

Two Deliveries Per Week over 5month period, Weekly :Distribution includes:

Bread	Veg	Facility	Locale
90	140	Mosque Dispensary	Glasgow

Serving nearly 200 families across Glasgow, Stirling Aid tops of the Dispensary Vegetables and Bread regularly

Food Statistics Across the Board



1002 Pickups, Over 3000 Deliveries Equating to 188,000 meals and 253 Metric Tons Of Co2 saved to all these wonderful charities.

Supporting Food Drops off at Night time

Many Extra drops are divided equally amongst the charities and distributed in a fair manner.



Individual Service User Support

Joining the Interfaith Food Justice Network, A forum for those working in, or affected by, issues of food provision and food justice across the City. To share information, resources and support. We were able to support Individual users that were short of food.

Stirling Aid is one of the very few charities that operates after 7-30pm to take food to individuals. As part of the Food Justice Network, We have been called upon other organisations to take food and food packs to those in need.

Also requests from Facebook and Contacts we have provided meals, food, toiletries and nappies to get to the families in need. These requests are usually last minute and often found in dire circumstances with usually little or no food in the house.

Provisioning requests from one or two per month up to about eight per month.

We feel its right to show an example of one particular example of A Mother and Toddler who was given only £8 on Asylum to Eat for a week. The Food Justice Network partner got in touch via there contact and Stirling Aid Delivered food that night to her.

Food Packs can be made from the food that's in the deliveries that can be topped up with ready meals etc. and Tins, We must thank staff of Tesco's in Cumbernauld who on request have made us food packs to distribute when requested.

Key Workers Support

Through Until Xmas 2021 we supported the Keyworkers with Extra flower Donations, Sandwiches and Fruit, Visits had been made Glasgow Royal Infirmary, Queen Elizabeth and Forth Valley Hospitals and indeed to Strathcarron Hospice too.



Our key workers project continue with regular drop-offs also for Staff at Glasgow Royal , Giving flowers and sandwiches which are almost immediately delivered to keep up spirits especially in General Sickness and Geriatrics ward . Was told we put a smile on many sick people!

In Short Stirling Aid has continued to work with those that are in need, providing vital PPE when there was hardly any about. Assisting Foodbanks and Housing projects where the elderly were at risk of going out allowed us to play very unique part within the network of charity support.

Cop26 Supporting Climate Control

Supporting Delegates from Indigenous Tribes, St Ninians Church, Glasgow

COP26 Fantastic food drops off during the mornings as part of the Interfaith Group ,supporting the indigenous people of South America, we were able to drop off excess food at St Ninians , Pollokshields. Beautiful sight of collection of people's trying to do right thing for the planet Welcoming Le Minga Indigena. These people came with very little to express there dismay at the State of the Planet and the church and Interfaith helped house and feed these people enough for them to make their point during the COP26 Climate Conference

Fantastic Help From Tesco' Staff Gillian and Andrew , Anne Marie, and Marie, got masks , shampoo and soap, for St Ninians . These people travelled half way around the world- Time to align to save the environment.



Handing out Essentials and Encouraging young Volunteers with Kindness Group

Stirling Aid's younger volunteers, handing out boxes of essentials with the Kindness Homeless Street Team Glasgow SCIO. Many Congrat to Laura McSorley who is Woman of the Year!!!
Laura relentless work and kindness for all surely earned that title! Hands down!



Over 100 Boxes of Essential Toiletries were packed and Distributed George Square Glasgow

Ukraine Clothing for Refugees In Transit Appeal

After a meeting with Hstar, Kindness Group Glasgow started collecting donations.

Please drop of items at Dunblane Post office or our house (pm for address)

Our fellow charities were also collecting are H Star Cowane St, Stirling and The Salvation Army in Raploch is also going strong and are still collecting for Ukraine. These donations would be delivered to border points via sister charities in Europe

Stirling Aid, H Star, Kindness and the Salvation Army

