# **BLACKBURN FOODBANK 2021**

### OUR YEAR IN REVIEW ...

A note from our Trustees...

Many thanks for the support and hard work of our staff, volunteers, supporters and trustees over the past year. Despite Covid and other challenges, Blackburn Foodbank has continued to provide excellent support to those in our community most in need.

Our goals for 2022 are to: -

1. Provide emergency food and essential welfare for people in crisis

2. Provide advice and advocacy to people who are in danger of entering or who are already in food poverty

3. Taylor programmes of personal development and support to enable people to leave food poverty behind

With everyone's continued help, support and positivity we WILL achieve this vision! Paul Adnitt, Chair

Our Volunteers gave 10,000 hours to the Foodbank in 2021. They work hard to pick and pack food parcels, drive the vans, and turn our warehouse from this...





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Meals Provided in 2021 by Blackburn Foodbank

THANK YOU We received 92,054.88 kg in donations.

141,147



Oaks Money Advice Centre

The Oaks Money Advice Centre has grown from a team of 2 advisors, to a team of 10! The team is made up of 6 advisors, two trainee advisors and 2 volunteer advisors! They offer support around debts and benefits to support our local community. **NEWS & COMMUNITY** Blackburn Foodbank is lucky enough to be surrounded and supported by an amazing community. Here are just some of the examples of community spirit that we have seen this year.



Blackburn Foodbank is excited to announce that they have been awarded the Hive Chairman's Award at the Hive Business Awards 2021! We are very honoured to have been given this award and thank the Blackburn with Darwen Hive Business Community for recognising the work of the Foodbank. We have to acknowledge that with you, our followers, donors, sponsors and the community around us, we would not be able to provide our help and support to so many people.



John Vause & Crown Paints helped to decorate our hot desk room.

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Tom ran 5k a day for 30 days and raised £662.50 for the Foodbank! Tom ran a total of 150km!



The mall noticed our entrance area was looking a bit wild and overgrown, so they came and cut it for us!



This Winter, ten pods returned to Shadsworth Leisure Centre to provide accommodation to some of Blackburn's rough sleepers.

Blackburn Foodbank has been providing each resident with food parcels throughout their time in the pods. Workers and volunteers at Blackburn Foodbank have been working closely with staff and residents to provide personalised food parcels to help the residents feel comfortable and "at home" in their new spaces.

### **MOVING FORWARDS...**

In 2022 Blackburn Foodbank will continue to strive to provide support those who need it.

We can't do that without the support of our local community.

#### Did you know?

Blackburn Foodbank distributes 420 tins of tomatoes and 630 tins of baked beans a week. You could be our baked bean champion! If you would like to be an item champion, contact us: info@blackburn.foodbank.org.uk

Has your company or organisation supported Blackburn Foodbank? Would you like to be a part of our "Wall of Logos" on the Blackburn Foodbank Website? If so, please email daisy@blackburn.foodbank.org.uk

## **BECOME A VOLUNTEER**

We are looking for enthusiastic, hardworking people to join our volunteer team. Blackburn Foodbank has a role for everyone.

### **CONTACT US TO START YOUR VOLUNTEER JOURNEY**



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#### Donating to Blackburn Foodbank

You can continue to support Blackburn Foodbank in a number of ways!

> For more information, visit the "Give Help" page on www.blackburn.foodbank.org.uk

- Standing order donations
- One-off money donations
  - Food drives
  - Fundraising events
    - Donating Food