

Christmas Food Support 2024

(Teignbridge/South Devon)

Teignbridge wide

THAT Foodbank

01626 437310

Referrals up to morning 20th December (late referrals may need to be collections)

Usual foodbank services with extra Christmas goodies.

Foodbank will be closed from 1 pm Friday 20th December, reopens 2nd January.

HITS Foodbank

01626 906371

Basic Christmas Hampers for most vulnerable - **referrals only**

Open over the Christmas period but closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day.

email info@hitsfoodbank.org by 25th November

Newton Abbot

Salvation Army

01626 369053

Booking essential ideally by 20th December (limited spaces – allocated on a first come, first serve basis) **Christmas Day Meal** for the homeless and those on their own 10.30 onwards, 12.30 lunch

Newton Abbot Community Fridge

@The Courtenay Centre. **Open as usual (24/7) for fresh free produce.** We usually get inundated with veg over Christmas.

Ashburton

Ashburton Town Council/Ashburton Portreeve

Christmas meal at **Ashburton Town Hall** for local residents who would otherwise be alone. The costs for a full meal is £10 per head – booked through information centre 01364 653426 or

townclerk@ashburton.org by **Monday 2nd December**

Bovey Tracey

Tuesday Hub

Methodist Church in Fore Street Bovey Tracey TQ13 9AD

open Tuesdays throughout the Christmas / New Year period: 11am - 1pm, for drinks and biscuits

Free bread from Ryders Bakery. Homemade soup served 11.30am - 12.30pm. With festive additions on Christmas eve Tuesday 24th. All free - donations welcome.

Bovey Tracey Social Supermarket

Open 17th December, then back 7th January 4 pm

Buckfastleigh/Buckfast

Buckfastleigh Town Council

Email admin@buckfastleigh.gov.uk call 01364 642576 by noon 13th December

Free Wiltshire Farm Foods Christmas meals, delivered frozen on 23rd December

Buckfastleigh Foodbank

call 01364 644485

Open Friday 20th December, 27th December tbc

Buckfastleigh Social Supermarket

Open 17th December 3.30 – 5.30 for a special Christmas event, then back 7th January

Bickington

Goodwill Community Fridge at Grannypats farmshop old A38 Bickington will be **open daily as normal 9am to dusk**

Christow, Bridford, Dunsford, Doddiscombsleigh and Ashton

Teign Valley Larders

<http://teignvalley.org/larder/>

larders open throughout

Chudleigh Knighton

Community Larder

Village Hall- open as usual

Moretonhampstead

Affordable Food Club

Open on **Thursday 19th December at the Parish Hall 9.15 – 11.30** with **lots of extras for Christmas** in addition to the usual offer. Anyone really struggling can ask for an additional bag of goodies on Christmas Eve which will put together for collection. **Closed on 26th December , back again on Thursday 2nd January.**

Moretonhampstead Community Larder

Community Club, Court Street, **open throughout**

Dawlish

Dawlish Community Larder

Christmas Hampers for current users during first weeks of December

Emergency “go-bags” between 24th December – 6th January

Via [Dawlish Town Council](#), [Assist Teignbridge](#), [The Hub Store](#), [Dawlish Community Transport & Roots](#) (please see their websites for opening times)

Teignmouth

Alice Cross

Call 01626 778039 – bookings essential - before 16th December

Christmas Day lunch for people who would otherwise be alone or are in need. There is no charge and transport can be provided.

Teignmouth Mutual Aid

email teignmouthmutualaid@gmail.com by 15th December for Christmas food support

Larder is closed from 23rd December until 8th January, but will try to meet emergency needs wherever possible

Exminster/Starcross

Westbank Community Health and Care

Warmwell provision (which includes a community larder & fridge)

The Community Hub, Healthy Living Centre, Farmhouse Ris, Exminster, EX6 8AT

A warm space, complimentary warm food and drinks, and an opportunity to socialise, engage in activities, receive support & advice. **Open on Monday 23rd Dec**, Closed from 24th Dec to 5th Jan, **Open again Monday 6th Jan**

Exminster Larder at Methodist church (**open throughout**)

Starcross Larder, Starcross pavilion

Open Thursday 19th December 9.15am – 11.00am, Open again 2nd Jan

Christmas Hampers – delivered on Friday 20th December – **referrals only**

Email communityservices@westbank.org.uk by **9th December**

Dartmouth

Dartmouth & District Food Bank

Townstal Community Hall. Davis Rd, Dartmouth, TQ6 9LJ

Open **20th Dec 11am to 12:45pm** - normal food bank session , free cafe (refreshments & cake, soup if requested), activities.

Open 27th Dec limited Food Bank only (just bags of long life and anything left from pre xmas) 11am - 12pm - All free - donations welcome

Totnes

Stepping Stones Food & Wellbeing

07988639514 or contact@steppingstonetotnes.co.uk, or FB @steppingstonetotnes

Totnes Food Bank (by referral) Monday 23rd December open as usual (then closed until 6th January 2025)

Regular customers for the **Food Bank and TQ9 Food Club** are welcome to take double the amount they usually do on weeks beginning 2 Dec, 9 Dec, or 16 Dec to cover Christmas period. Extra Christmas goodies incl presents from 9th December.

The Warm Hearts Cafe will be open on Monday 23 Dec and will be closed from 24 Dec - 5 Jan. It will reopen as normal from Monday 6 January 2025 onwards.

Please note some organisations can also provide **Christmas presents for families** in need. This include The Salvation Army please contact them directly to refer.

Please do also contact other providers directly to find out what support they offer over the Christmas period <https://southdevonfoodalliance.adoddle.org/localorganisations/>

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HAF – Winter 2024

The [Holiday Activities and Food \(HAF\) programme](#) includes a hot meal. Winter provider list will be live from **25th November**.

If your child is [eligible to access the programme](#), simply search for a provider in your area, have a look to see what they're offering and book a place with them directly. **Please note** that booking details differ depending on each provider. In order to book a place on a HAF scheme for 2024 in Devon you will receive a code via email direct or from your school; you must show your HAF provider this code to book a place.

Other support that can help you stay well over Christmas:

Samaritans

For **emotional support in a crisis** 08457 909090 Tel: 0345 155 1074 (landline call rate)

Family Lives (formerly Parentline Plus)

Family Lives provides targeted early intervention and **crisis support to families**.

<https://www.familylives.org.uk/>

Qwell

Free digital mental wellbeing support for adults across the UK

<https://www.qwell.io/>

Fear Free Devon

Domestic Abuse Support Tel: 0345 155 1074 (landline call rate)

If you are in immediate danger you should always call 999. – don't put yourself, or your family at risk.

Concerned about the safety of a child?

Contact the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) 0345 155 1071

If the child is at immediate risk contact the police on 999.

Suspect that a vulnerable adult is being abused?

Contact Adult Social Care on 0345 1551 007 (Monday to Thursday 8.00 am to 5.00 pm, Friday 9.00 am to 4.30 pm and Saturday 9.00 am to 5.00 pm).

Outside of the hours above/on bank holidays call the Emergency Duty Service on 0345 6000 388

Homelessness out of hours emergency - Teignbridge District Council

<https://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/housing/homelessness/homelessness-out-of-hours-emergency/>

If you are homeless outside of normal working hours, including evenings, weekends and bank holidays please call 0330 678 2382 and we will arrange for an officer to call you back.

Shelter

Emergency Helpline 0808 800 4444

Monday to Friday, 8am - 8pm. Weekends and bank holidays, 9am - 5pm.

