

Food Bank Collection

Solidarity



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Food poverty in Britain

Since 2010 the number of emergency food parcels provided by foodbanks in Britain has increased from just 40,898 per year in 2010 to 3,121,404 in the 2023/24 financial year - an increase of more than 7,600%. Use has doubled in the last 5 years alone. More than 1.1 million parcels went to children in the last year.

The reality behind these statistics is sickening - working people in one of the richest countries on the planet are unable to feed themselves or even their children. It is a damning indictment of the inhumane capitalist system. This is the direct result of the austerity and attacks on the value of our wages and living standards. This is also the result of profiteering by the supermarkets and big food monopolies, driving working people to hunger and small businesses and farmers to bankruptcy.

Workers must fight to fight for real, lasting, systemic change. But we also need to come together to help the most vulnerable working people made to suffer in the interests of big business and finance capital.

Our Aim

Communists don't believe in charity. Working people deserve more than the crumbs off the table. This is a political act. We intend to draw attention to the cruel impact of the continuing austerity and attacks on our living standards. We want to show working-class solidarity and a demonstration of unity in the face of this government. Equally important, it will provide some small relief to those facing dire poverty this winter.

What We Can Do

The generous food contributions that you make are a testament to the spirit of Britain's working class. We completely reject the cynical conclusion that "human beings are fundamentally selfish". Despite the efforts of the capitalist system to isolate and break down working people, we remain social and compassionate. Working-class solidarity can overcome divisions of race and religion - and any obstacle.

Our aim is to build on today's collection and tie it to our broader fight to create a mass movement for real change in Britain that can end poverty once and for all.



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