Donegal Food Response Network



Gréasán Fhreagartha Bía Dhún na nGall

'No one should ever go hungry'

Contact a member of the 'Donegal Food Response Network' if you need help to feed yourself or your family. All calls are confidential and members are here to help.

Cloughaneely MHA/Cloughaneely Food Bank Sally Boyce 083 3489749

Donegal Town Mustard Seed Louise Bustard 087 9781519

Donegal FRC Kathleen McHugh 074 97 25337

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We Care LK Food Bank Contact us on our website www.wecarelkfoodbank.ie 087 1471325

The Doorway Project Sorca Mac Elhinney 086 7831376

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'Níor chóir d'aon duine bheith ocrach'

For further details on the Donegal Food Response Network contact DLDC - Email mlarkin@dldc.org Tel: 07491 27056



For your local community group iDonate page – please see below:

Donegal Family Resource Centre -

https://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/donegalfrcback2school Comharchumann Forbartha & Fostaíochta Árainn Mhór https://www.idonate.ie/.../11445062 cffam-fundraising... Cloughaneely Mental Health Association/Cloughaneely Food Bank https://www.idonate.ie/cloughaneelymhabacktoschool Cara House, Letterkenny - https://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/carahouseback2school Ionad Naomh Pádraig, Dobhair - www.idonate.ie/IonadNaomhPadraig CDP Na Rosann Dungloe https://www.idonate.ie/.../CDPnaRosannBacktoSchoolFundraiser The Mustard Seed Tea Room, Donegal Town



Donegal Food Response Network Call for Donations to Support Food Banks Across the County

 \sim Back to School fundraiser to help alleviate food insecurity for families in Donegal \sim

The Donegal Food Response Network, with the support of DLDC, is calling on people in Donegal to support their local community groups with donations of money, food, or school supplies to their local food banks in the run up to the financially pressured back-to-school period.

The Donegal Food Response Network is made up of community organisations throughout Donegal who open their doors to accept donations of food, vouchers, cash, or gifts that will be distributed to those in need in their local community.

In recent months, demand has risen so much that community groups who usually have an emergency supply in stock are finding that they have no available supplies for local families in need. The back-to-school period is a time where many parents are worrying about the financial repercussions of education. Families facing mounting costs for schoolbooks, uniforms, stationery and school and college fees can struggle to meet the daily budget demands of family life, thus food insecurity increases at this time of year.

To help alleviate this pressure for families, the network is asking people to donate what they can to their nearest food bank. Those who can not visit their local community groups to drop in donations of food and other supplies, but wish to donate, can do so through an iDonate fundraising page that is unique to the community organisation they wish to support.

Speaking about the back-to-school campaign, Margaret Larkin, Community Development Manager, DLDC, "In recent months, demand has risen so much that local community groups cannot meet the needs of those experiencing food poverty in Donegal. Rising food and energy costs has placed so much financial pressure on families in Donegal, that those who once donated to the charity are now approaching it for help."

"Many families are finding it hard to financially recover from the pandemic, when now faced with the rising cost of living, despite being in employment. The upcoming back-to-school period is due to cause more stress to families across the region, adding another burden to families who are already challenged financially. Any donation – no matter how small – will go a long way to help those struggling at this time of year."

For more information on how to donate, please see list below or visit <u>www.DLDC.org</u> for a full list of iDonate page details for registered community groups or search your nearest community group's Facebook page.