



**BOUNTY**  
CLUB

*saving good food for good causes*



## Saving good food for good causes



Trevor Stanesby

It has been greatly encouraging to see the work of the Bounty Club in Harlow grow and develop as the charity continues to focus on reducing food wastage in partnership with local food companies, supermarkets and Stansted Airport.

The charity has also recently acquired the Poundland Distribution Centre, based at the Pinnacles in Harlow, as a new community partner that provides us with a wide range of non-perishable food, toiletries and household products for distribution to local people in crisis via the Bounty Club and Harlow Foodbank.

Special thanks to our Bounty Club

Coordinator Trevor Stanesby, who continues to progress this work, ensuring that the surplus food we receive is directed straight back into the community.

*"From the feedback we have received is it clear that this food not only helps to feed local people in crisis but also supports a range of families and other people finding it difficult to make ends meet each week. It also encourages people enjoying healthy eating options by improving their dietary choices with a wide range of fresh food alternatives. This food is also used in support of training and development programmes co-ordinated by our front-line agency partners. All very encouraging."*

Gary Knott, Director of Community Services



**Just LOOK at some of the fresh food items we have received and distributed**



potatoes, carrots, onions, cabbage



tomatoes, lettuce, cucumber, spring onions, peppers



bananas, oranges, tangerines, apples, strawberries



milk, butter, cheese, yoghurts, desserts



ham, beef, pork, sausages, bacon, steak, turkey



canned drinks, bottled water



white and brown bread



eggs and cooking oil

**WITHOUT BOUNTY CLUB THIS WOULD END UP IN THE...**



## SPONSORSHIP FOR 2017/18

**LAWSONS**

*'Family Values - Professional Service'*

We are pleased to announce that Lawsons (Whetstone) Ltd have sponsored our Bounty Club refrigerated van for 2017/18. They have also recently donated and sponsored a brand-new Peugeot Bipper van, and this vehicle will be used for the general work of the charity.

*"It is an absolute pleasure and a privilege for Lawsons to be working with The Michael Roberts Charitable Trust, by supporting Harlow Foodbank and the Bounty Club. Lawsons can offer support into communities and the people within going through challenging times. All the teams involved with The Michael Roberts Charitable Trust do so much, with so little for so many. Lawsons are proud to support such a strong community-based charity."*

Paul Sexton,  
Managing Director, Lawsons  
(Whetstone) Ltd





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If you make regular financial donations to the charity and you no longer want us to claim Gift Aid for these please inform Gary or Margaret at the MRCT office.



## UPDATE

Stansted Airport (London) continue to work with the charity by providing a wide range of passengers' restricted non-perishable food, toiletries and perfumes which is distributed to local professional frontline agencies. To date we have received and distributed 4,688 kg from this valuable community partner.



## A NEW COMMUNITY PARTNER

We are pleased to announce that the Poundland Distribution Centre in Harlow are now providing donated non-perishable food, toiletries and household products, which will be distributed to local people in crisis via Harlow Foodbank and the Bounty Club.

## Feedback

"Some of our service users are able to get food and toiletries through the Bounty Project at Woodlands Family Centre, where three days a week we have specialist counsellors working with survivors of sexual violence. We know that the bags they take away really make a difference at a difficult time, so we really appreciate the facility. Thank you."  
Andrea Williams, Young People's Sexual Violence Counsellor and Training Coordinator  
South Essex Rape & Incest Crisis Centre

"The Bounty Club wonderfully enables food and other provisions that would otherwise be thrown away to be used not only for people in need, but also for other charitable ventures in the town. Without this service we would be immensely the poorer. I wholeheartedly commend their excellent work."  
Martin Harris, Team Rector St Paul's and St Mary's, Harlow Area Dean,  
Church of England, Chair, Heart4Harlow

"We receive regular donations from the Bounty Club which our centre users find extremely useful. The food donations are not just a provision of food; they also provide a moral boost to those receiving them as it is often a way for them to ask for help with other needs."

Jo-Anne O'Reilly, Administrator,  
The Treehouse Child and Family Wellbeing Service (South Team)

## LATEST STATS

- 41** front-line agencies are now working in partnership with the Bounty Club
- 10** schools are currently supported by the Bounty Club (9 primary and 1 senior)
- 10** tonnes of surplus fresh food is picked up and distributed to front-line professional agencies each month
- 4.7** tonnes of Stansted Airport donations have been distributed to front-line professional agencies in Harlow

Surplus fresh food is currently provided by Brakes, Bidfood in Harlow and Swithenbank in Hoddesdon. Local supermarkets Tesco Metro and Lidl in Harlow are also now providing the Bounty Club with surplus food.

## Please help us!

As a charity, we continue to need financial support to ensure we can sustain and develop our services with a wide range of people in need. Please consider this by making a one-off or regular donation at [www.mrct.org.uk](http://www.mrct.org.uk) and click the 'Just Giving' button on the home page.



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