

# Foodbanks in Newcastle

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Foodbanks provide emergency food aid for people in crisis. The Trussell Trust has reported a 163% rise in the number of people using foodbanks in the UK\*. Delays in benefits, low incomes and changes to the benefits system are amongst main reasons people give for why they are using foodbanks.

Foodbanks are run by volunteers who provide parcels or bags of food donated locally or by supermarkets through schemes like FareShare. Newcastle CVS has produced this guide to some of the foodbanks operating Newcastle. It is not a list of all of Newcastle foodbanks and you are recommended to check opening times and criteria before going to one.

\* Trussell Trust <http://tinyurl.com/nddaofq>

Foodbank name, location and contact details	Opening times	What is available?	What is the criteria?
<b>Newcastle East Food Bank</b> Elim Pentecostal Church, Heaton Road, Heaton, NE6 1SD 0191 447 4675 <a href="http://www.newcastleeast.foodbank.org.uk">www.newcastleeast.foodbank.org.uk</a>	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am - 12.30pm	Food box, which includes tinned meat, fish, vegetables and fruit, tea, coffee, fruit juice, soup, sauces, rice, pasta, cereals...	Referral from frontline care professionals eg doctors, health workers, Citizens Advice Bureau, social workers
<b>Newcastle West Food Bank</b> Church of the Venerable Bede, Benwell Grove, NE4 8AN St Peter's Cowgate <a href="http://newcastlewestend.foodbank.org.uk">newcastlewestend.foodbank.org.uk</a>	Monday & Thursday 10.00am - 12 noon and 2.00pm - 4.00pm Tuesday 10.00am - 12noon	Food box, which includes tinned meat, fish, vegetables and fruit, tea, coffee, fruit juice, soup, sauces, rice, pasta, cereals...	Referral from frontline care professionals eg doctors, health workers, Citizens Advice Bureau, social workers
<b>Storehouse at the Tyneside Vineyard</b> Ariel House, City Road, NE1 2AQ <a href="http://www.storehousene.org.uk/">www.storehousene.org.uk/</a> 0191 475 0955	Thursday 1.00pm - 3.00pm Drop in Café: Sat morning 10.30am	Food box of standard grocery items; donated clothes and baby equipment	Referral from certain statutory or voluntary sector organisations

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<p><b>Connect25</b>  The King's Castle Church  Unit 2, 162, Brinkburn Street  Byker  NE6 2AR  foodbank@thekcfoundation.co.uk  079 7647 9111</p>	<p>Monday, Tuesday,  Wednesday and  Thursday  10.00am - 2.00pm  (will offer to deliver  parcels to the homes  of all referrals  received before  12noon)</p>	<p>Food box of standard grocery items which includes and is not limited to such items as tinned meat, fish, vegetables and fruit, tea, coffee, fruit juice, soup, sauces, rice, pasta, cereals and baby food</p>	<p>Referrals from certain healthcare practitioners and frontline care professionals</p>
<p><b>Walking With</b>  Wallsend People's Centre  Frank Street  Wallsend  Tyne and Wear  NE28 6RN  walkingwithwcwt@msn.com  0191 263 5029</p>	<p>Mondays and  Wednesdays  10.00am - 3.00pm</p>	<p>Food box including pasta, rice, tinned meat, fish or vegetables</p>	<p>Asylum seekers living in North Tyneside who can provide a Home Office letter to say it is withdrawing support</p>

## How you can help: donate, volunteer, get involved...

In the last financial year, 2013 -14 Trussell Trust foodbanks provided emergency food for 59,146 people in the North East\*. You can help support a foodbank in your area by donating tinned or other non-perishable food, by volunteering some of your time or by starting up a new foodbank.

For more information contact the foodbanks listed, Volunteer Centre Newcastle or visit [www.trusselltrust.org](http://www.trusselltrust.org)

\*<http://www.trusselltrust.org/stats>

If you have information about foodbanks in your area, if you and other volunteers are starting one up or if you know about one that has closed, please contact us

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