

# Supermarket Food Collections - Volunteer Role

## **Overview of the Role:**

Volunteers are needed to go on the Foodbanks list of volunteers collecting food on a weekly basis from collection baskets in supermarkets in Stratford. It is hoped that volunteers could help at least once a month This role will require the use of your own vehicle. Once food is collected it should then be delivered to the Foodbank's warehouse on the car park at Tesco. This work, most likely, will need to involve daytime commitment, calling in at Waitrose, Tesco or Morrison's, emptying the food collection basket and delivering food to the warehouse on a Monday or Wednesday afternoon between 2pm – 4pm.

## Requirements

- Light lifting and bending to empty food collection baskets and transfer food to the warehouse
- Safe lifting guidance will provided
- Access to a car
- Your collection day will be agreed by monthly rota, a volunteer would be expected to be available at least once a month
- Ability to work on under own initiative, support always available from the Foodbank Manager

## Time commitment

Two hours a week, once a month minimum.

### **Description of possible tasks**

- To collect food from local supermarkets
- To deliver that food to the Foodbank warehouse on Tesco carpark
- To label food deliveries so warehouse volunteers recognise it needs to be processed
- To sign the warehouse day book at time of food delivery
- To liaise with the (Volunter) Supermarket Collections coordinator as necessary
- To feedback any supermarket issues that are made known to you at point of collection
- Full training and guidance will be given

## What is Stratford upon Avon Foodbank?

We are an independent charity helping local people in crisis. This is done by providing food parcels to clients referred by partner agencies, and providing information (signposting) to help clients improve their situation. The Foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust's network of 400+ foodbanks, and benefits from operational guidance provided by the Trust. We feed an average 180+ people a month of which 28% are children. The distribution sessions and warehousing is at the Foodbank's cabin on the carpark at the Tesco's Maybird store.

## To express an interest in this role

Email volunteer.suafoodbank@gmail.com stating reasons for interest and suitability. For more information please email volunteer.suafoodbank@gmail.com, or call the Foodbank Manager, Marion Homer, on 07736 611323. Information on Stratford Foodbank can be found at <a href="https://stratforduponavon.foodbank.org.uk">https://stratforduponavon.foodbank@gmail.com</a>, or call the Foodbank Manager, Marion Homer, on 07736 611323. Information on Stratford Foodbank can be found at <a href="https://stratforduponavon.foodbank.org.uk">https://stratforduponavon.foodbank.org.uk</a>. , applicants will need to supply details of 2 referees.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

This role description reflects the hopes and intentions of the organisation and is not intended to be contractually binding on either party, or to form a contract of employment. Please note that Stratford upon Avon Foodbank is Christian organisation and welcomes volunteers of all faiths and none.