

The Manna Society

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A day centre near Guy's Hospital, open 7 days per week, which aims to meet the needs of the homeless and poor through the provision of free breakfast and lunch, showers, clothing, medical care, housing advice and adult learning.

THINGS: Food, men's toiletries, towels, mugs, men and women's clothing, shoes, sleeping bags and furniture.

TIME: Kitchen volunteers one day per week

MONEY: Running costs are currently £32,000 per month. All gifts, financial and practical are very welcome.



Southwark Day Centre for Asylum Seekers

Copleston Centre, Copleston Road, SE15 4AN

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The Day Centre at the Copleston Centre was the first of 3 drop in sessions now run by the charity. Every Tuesday a hot lunch is provided, education activities are organized and practical advice and support is offered. 80% of the staff are volunteers. Support for the street homeless is a particular focus.

THINGS: Clothing, bedding, toiletries.

TIME: Volunteers with language and cooking skills.

MONEY: Gifts make it possible to respond to cases of real hardship.



The Robes Project

c/o South London Mission

265 Bermondsey Street SE1 3UJ

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This winter 24 church venues in Lambeth and Southwark will take it in turns to offer shelter and hospitality one night a week to homeless people during the five coldest months of the year. A host venue offers a hot meal, friendship and fellowship, a sleeping place and breakfast. All guests are referred by a variety of agencies. An Advice Worker meets regularly with the guests and supports them in many areas such as securing paperwork and accessing accommodation and benefits. Between 15 and 25 guests stay at the shelter each night.

THINGS: Bedding, socks, underwear and toiletries.

TIME: Volunteers are crucial to the Robes Project - there are opportunities for volunteers to host and cook in the evenings, stay overnight, or volunteer in the mornings.

MONEY: Examples of how donations will be used are to support the running costs of a new weekly club (hosted one afternoon a week) and to support a fund for welfare expenses for guests eg., transport expenses for guests.

Webber Street Christian Centre

6-8 Webber Street, SE1 8QA

Contact: Liz Moss • 020 7928 1677

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The Centre, which is a London City Mission Project, provides a cooked breakfast Monday to Thursday and Saturday. A short Christian message is preached every morning before breakfast and staff engage with those who want to know more about the Gospel. Clothing, showers, practical advice and counsel are readily available, with medical help through a nurse.

THINGS: Tinned food, coffee, sugar, squashes, T-shirts, boxer shorts, socks and jeans.

TIME: Caring volunteers to help serve at the Centre.

MONEY: Donations towards running costs are most welcome.



Homelessness Appeal 2012/2013



As Christians we believe that we should help in any way we can those who find themselves homeless. As a result we have formed close links with a number of Christian Agencies and Churches in South East London who work alongside homeless people. This leaflet describes their work and the practical ways in which we can support them.

Christ Church, Brixton Road

90 Brixton Road, London SW9 6BE

Contact: Parish Administrator • 020 7587 0375

Email: admin@christchurchbr.org.uk

Christ Church is committed to serving the community, in particular the homeless and the needy.

THINGS: Gifts of tinned and dried food for its Food Cupboard which are distributed to people in need, some of whom are homeless. Clothes, bric-a-brac and books are sold in the charity shop. Homeless people are helped with a change of clothes and toiletries.

TIME: Volunteers to work in the charity shop

MONEY: Donations help to pay for items when supplies run short, or to help homeless people meet transport costs or help with accommodation.

Springfield Lodge Lifeline

A Salvation Army Project

1 Grove Hill Road, SE5 8DF

Contact: Helen Wilson • 020 7274 7188

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Springfield Lodge is a resettlement centre for 40 young men and women in Camberwell. The young people are inspirational and engage in life skills that help give them the basic tools to live independently when they are resettled. The Centre has been re-opened this year and is a new building with lovely facilities to encourage the young people to develop into confident young adults that can make a real difference in their community.

THINGS: Men's clothes, household equipment, toiletries for girls as well as boys and non-perishable food.

TIME: Volunteers are always welcome to befriend our young people and help with the gardening (allotments) and chicken keeping!

Ace of Clubs

St Alphonsus Road London SW4 7AS

Contact: Sarah Miles • 020 7720 2811

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This day centre is open every day of the year, providing vital services for homeless and vulnerable members of the community. Meals, welfare, housing and benefits advice, showers, laundry and access to medical services are provided. As a result of the recession we are dealing with increased demands for our services at a time when our income is greatly reduced.

THINGS: Food, clothes, toiletries, towels and bedding.

TIME: Volunteers to help in and around the centre, from cooks and cleaners to delivery drivers.

MONEY: A £10 donation will help someone to take the first steps away from homelessness. Running costs are currently £140,000 per year. All gifts are welcome.

Oasis Housing No 3 Peckham

An Oasis UK Project, Peckham, SE15 5HQ

Contact: Brenda Curtis • 020 7639 5505

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This supported housing project provides safe accommodation for 16 homeless young women. They are given support and taught life skills to prepare them to live independently when they move on into more permanent accommodation. They are helped to access education, training and employment.

THINGS: Non-perishable food, bedding, kitchen equipment and toiletries

TIME: Contact Oasis to find out about current volunteering opportunities. Volunteers help cook weekly roast dinners and run workshops.

MONEY: £30 will pay for a welcome pack (including bedding and toiletries) for a new resident. £15 will buy a birthday or Christmas present for one resident.

HOW TO MAKE YOUR GIFT

Please bring gifts in kind to the Church on Sundays. Alternatively, contact the projects concerned - they can usually arrange collection. Please give gifts of cash to your Church Treasurer: cheques should be made payable to the "Social Responsibility Network". The total raised will then be shared among all the projects, unless you indicate a particular project you wish to support. If you would like to support any of the projects through prayer they would be happy to hear from you and provide information.

St Giles Trust

64-68 Camberwell Church Street, SE5 8JB

Contact: Sean McFadden • 020 7703 7000

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St Giles prevents offending and improves community safety by enabling disadvantaged offenders and homeless people to build independent and successful lives, and to contribute positively to their communities. We believe that homeless people and offenders can make a positive contribution to society, and should be given the support to do so. We do this by providing fast and practical intervention for homeless and at risk people, health facilities, support in the community and accredited education and training.

THINGS: Non-perishable food, clothing, toiletries.

TIME: There are many opportunities for volunteers within the service.

MONEY: Donations are very helpful towards training and education equipment, lunch and travel expenses for Trainees and furnishings for young people leaving care and those newly housed.



Kairos Community

22 Linden Grove, SE15 3LF

Contact: Sr. Elizabeth McCormack • 020 7277 6264

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Kairos welcomes men and women of all ages who are homeless and wish to recover from drug and alcohol addiction. Therapy, support and accommodation are provided in a community setting in 21 houses, helping them to recover from their addiction and to cope fully with life.

THINGS: Food, household goods and furniture

TIME: Volunteers to help regularly or occasionally.

MONEY: All contributions gratefully accepted for general costs or specific items.