



Places providing free, low-cost food and/or Community Meals in Lewisham

Here is a list of community projects offering free or low-cost food. You may be facing financial difficulties and need support or would like to eat with others at a community meal. Perhaps you would like to volunteer. Most projects are staffed by volunteers and rely on donations. Please note a listing is not an endorsement, check with the project directly to see if it's a good fit. Call Community Connections Lewisham (0330 058 3464 Mon - Fri 9.30 am - 4 pm) who can find the best option for you and link you up to other support available. For financial support and advice call Advice Lewisham (0800 231 5453 Mon - Thurs 9 am - 12.30 pm & 1.30 pm - 5 pm) or visit www.worryingaboutmoney.co.uk/lewisham.

Bank of Things Youth Fridge

Wednesday & Friday 3 - 5 pm

Unit 19, Lewisham Shopping Centre, Molesworth Street SE13 7HB

For young people aged 11 - 25. distributing fresh fruit and other surplus foods.

Contact: Hannah hannah@lewishamlocal.com or 07726 350915

Barley Loaves Distribution Service

Monday 7.30 - 9 pm

The Ecclēsia (London City Mission), 1 Cornmill Lane SE13 7FY

Providing food bags from outside, alternating between men and women each week. If there is food to spare at the end it's given to anyone regardless of gender.

Contact: barleyloaves@ecclesia.uk

Catford Fridge Station

Saturday 2.30 - 3 pm

Lewisham Irish Community Centre, 2a Davenport Road SE6 2AZ

Gives out solidarity bags of surplus food. First come first served.

Contact: catfordfridge@hotmail.com

Chinbrook Action Residents Team Food Bank

Wednesday 10 - 11 am

WG Grace Community Centre Courtyard, 1 Lions Close SE9 4HG

Choose food from the selection. Donation drop off 9 am - 2 pm Monday - Friday. Tea, coffee, a friendly chat plus benefits/financial advisor (by appointment). Registration can take place on the day.

Contact: info@chartbiglocal.org.uk and 020 8851 0174.

Come Out of Hiding: TLN CIC

Sunday 1 - 3 pm

157 - 159 Lewisham High Street SE13 6AA

Please complete these short forms to benefit from our community fridge and drop in service for families to have access to essentials like food, toiletries and other essentials you might need. Partnering with Victory Care Food Bank.

<https://forms.gle/Jr3SkbUizc3SJqeg8> and <https://forms.gle/DwcgDBeu8uUeXKG8A>

Downham Gleaning Pantry

Friday 9 am - 12.30 pm

Brook Lane Community Church, 27 - 29 Brook Lane, Bromley BR1 4PX

Social Pantry for people in Downham on low incomes. Residents pay a membership fee of £5 a week to choose from a variety of food to the value of £25 - £40. By appointment.

Contact: downhammutualaid@hotmail.com or Stephanie on 07989 887319

Evelyn Community Store

Tuesday 2 - 4.30 pm

Evelyn Community Centre, 1 Kingfisher Square, Clyde Street SE8 5TW

Food for store members and deliveries to vulnerable store members (£3.50 per week to use the store for those on low incomes). Free surplus food given out to members on Fridays from 11 am until it's gone. To become a member, collect a paper form or visit: <https://www.lewishamhomes.org.uk/peoples-supermarket/>

Feed the Hill

Wednesday 10 am - midday

367 New Cross Road SE14 6AT

Deliveries of food boxes to housebound people in SE4, SE8 & SE14. Free to those self-isolating or experiencing food poverty. Boxes are nutritionally balanced, dietary needs catered for. Small social supermarket for people on low incomes (£2 per shop), no membership required, bring proof of address. For food box deliveries text 07748 713212 by the end of Saturday for the next week.

Contact: feedthehill@gmail.com or see <https://boldvision.uk/feed-the-hill/>

Grove Park Food Bank and Community Resource Centre

Friday 12 noon - 2 pm

Word of Life Church, Rehoboth Building, 72A Mayeswood Road SE12 9RP (Lower Floor)

Providing food and other support including signposting for people of Grove Park and the surrounding area in financial crisis/hardship. Bring one form of ID and one proof of address.

Contact: 07930 958097 or email info@wordoflife-lcc.org

The Helping Hands Food Bank

Saturday (fortnightly) 9.30 – 11.30 am

St Peter's Church, Eltham Road SE12 8HQ

Run by Action For Refugees in Lewisham (AFRIL) and Good Shepherd St Peter's, Lee. Supporting asylum seekers, refugees and vulnerable migrant families with NRPF. Food parcel includes supermarket vouchers, fresh fruit/veg, salad, and toiletries. Travel expenses paid. Referrals can be made by individuals or on their behalf with their consent, and they will be contacted back with details of support available.

Contact: Helen, Food Bank Director, helen@afril.org.uk or 07549 031729

House of Bread Church of God

2nd Saturday of the month 9 – 11 am

39 Kitto Road SE14 5TW

New food bank opening in partnership with Looprun.

Contact: houseofbreadclerk@cogop.org.uk or 0207 732 4970

Legendary Community Club

Thursday & Friday (fortnightly)

Food package support for young people and their families. Optional fee of £2.50. Operating every other week on the Thursday and Friday of that week. Collection from Youth First sites across the borough.

Contact: legendaryclub@gmail.com or call/message Andra 07581 566004

Lewington Food Project

Friday 1 – 3 pm

Lewington Community Centre, 9 Eugenia Road SE16 2RU

L&Q are running a food bank for local residents. It's first come first served but they can take referrals and deliver on some occasions. Dietary requirements catered for.

Contact: 07940 393291

Lewisham Donation Hub

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 11 am – 2 pm

Unit D, PLACE/Ladywell, 261 Lewisham High Street SE13 6AY

Emergency food service with support tickets shared from 9 am. Food, clothing, home essentials. Offering a range of fresh and frozen foods, and a more limited selection of non-perishables, toiletries, women's essentials and incontinence pads. Support provided a maximum of once per week. No booking required but check the website before visiting for important service information. All services are weather/volunteer dependent and are subject to change.

Visit: www.lewishamdonationhub.org

Lions Food Hub

Friday 9.30 am – 2.30 pm

Millwall Community Centre, Bolina Road SE16 3LD

By appointment only. Message their Facebook or Instagram page for support.

Lewisham Foodbank

Monday – Friday

Clients **must** have an e-voucher which can be obtained from a professional, or by calling Help Through Hardship (0808 208 2138) or Advice Lewisham (0800 231 5453). Vouchers can be fulfilled at any of these centres:

Deptford Salvation Army	Mary Ann Gardens, SE8 3DP	Mondays midday – 2 pm
Lewisham Salvation Army	4 Albion Way, SE13 6BT	Tuesdays 10 am – midday
St John the Baptist Church (Downham)	353 Bromley Road, SE6 2RP	Wednesdays midday – 2 pm
Perry Rise Baptist Church	Perry Rise, SE23 2QL	Thursdays midday - 2 pm
Catford Salvation Army	23–25 Brownhill Road, SE6 2HE	Fridays 10 am – midday

Dietary needs catered for where available. Advice in Spanish, Portuguese, Arabic, and fuel vouchers.

Contact: 07938 071854 info@lewisham.foodbank.org.uk **Visit:** www.lewisham.foodbank.org.uk

Living Water Christian Centre Food Service

Wednesday 5.30 – 7.15 pm

Honor Oak Community Centre, 50 Turnham Road SE4 2JD

Dietary needs catered for. Closed August and some of January

Contact: Lwccfoodservice@gmail.com

Pepys Community Store

Friday midday – 3 pm

2000 Community Action Centre, 199 - 201 Grove Street, Deptford SE8 3PG

For Members around Pepys/Evelyn, Deptford who pay £3.50 a week for their shop. Application form to join can be picked up at the supermarket or <https://2000cac.org/>.

Rastafari Movement UK Wellbeing CIC Project

fortnightly Monday & Tuesday after 3 pm

Surplus and cultural food distribution to those in need of culturally relevant food and wellbeing support. Offering African and Caribbean foods, fresh fruit and veg via fortnightly deliveries and a doorstep befriending service for members for up to 12 weeks. £4 fortnightly membership required.

Contact: email rmuk.info@gmail.com or call 07387 208519 to register in advance.

Rehoboth Community Outreach Club Monday & Thursday 11 am – 1 pm, Wednesday 2 – 4 pm
Ray Champion Meeting Room, 1 - 18 Allwood Close SE26 4JP (Hazel Grove Estate)

Monday: collection of free hot meals, fruits and pastries
Wednesday: collection of chilled/frozen meals, fruits and vegetables
Thursday: collection of ambient/dry goods, chilled/frozen foods
Fridays: 8 – 10 pm food deliveries to local hostels
Contact: 07487 738908 or 07946 354617

St Peter's Church

Wednesday 12 noon – 2 pm

Wickham Rd, Brockley SE4 1LT

A social supermarket for people in the SE4 area. Pay £3 membership weekly fee and choose enough groceries to last a week. Dietary needs catered for. Request food via the website link to get a shopping appointment. Can deliver in some circumstances. www.stpetersbrockley.org.uk/feedback-food-request.

Sydenham Community Supermarket

Thursday 9 – 12 (term time) 1 – 3 pm (holiday)

Kelvin Grove Children Centre, Kelvin Grove, Sydenham SE26 6BB

Offering members low cost, healthy groceries for £3.50 a week. Run by residents for residents. Complete online form to be considered for membership or collect a paper copy <https://rb.gv/xgy85>. People can turn up and register on the day.
Contact: 020 8613 0172 or 074438 88181.

The Life Giving Project

Saturday 11.30 am – 1 pm

Pepys Resource Centre, Deptford Strand SE8 3BA

For anyone in need in the local area. A choice of foods available. Run by the Christ Embassy Church.
Contact: 07845 286438

The Tab Church Foodbank Plus

Thursday 12 noon – 2 pm

The Tab, 233 - 241 Lewisham High Street SE13 6NQ

All donations can be made on Sundays 10.30 am - 1.30 pm.
Contact: 020 8691 1000 email info@thetab.org.uk

Victory Care Food Bank

Sunday 1 – 3 pm

157 - 159 Lewisham High Street, Lewisham SE13 6AA

After the church service they provide surplus bags of groceries. Contact Details required.
Contact: Maxine on 07368 586898

Whitefoot and Downham Food Project Plus

Thursday 7 – 8.30 pm

Hope Church, 480 Whitefoot Lane BR1 5SF

For those living in the Whitefoot and Downham area. Membership is £4. Members must register with a proof of identification and address, and able to prove receipt of benefits (excluding Child Benefit).

World of Hope

Bostall Gardens, Viola Avenue SE2 0TQ

Based in Greenwich, with some distribution in Lewisham. Offering food, baby food, nappies and cosmetics. They are also supporting African, refugee and migrant communities across South East London with culturally specific food. Registration required and there is a waiting list.
Contact: info@worldofhope.org.uk or 07776 992138

Community Meals

999 Club Early Bird Breakfasts

Monday & Wednesday 6.30 – 9 am

21 Deptford Broadway SE8 4PA

A free breakfast for anyone sleeping rough. Turn up any time between 6.30 and 9am on Mondays and Wednesdays for a traditional fry up as well as unlimited hot drinks, toast and cereals. People can shower, access the internet, charger access, laundry facilities and support services including housing, education, substance misuse, benefits and health. **The 999 Club Deptford Broadway SE8 4PA** Call 020 8694 5797 or e-mail breakfast@999club.org **Visit:** www.999club.org

The Bear Church at Evelyn Community Centre

Sunday 6 – 7 pm (term time only)

Evelyn Community Centre, 1 Kingfisher Square, Clyde Street SE8 5TW

Sit down meal **apart from the first Sunday of the month**. Just turn up, everyone welcome.
Contact: Richard 07392 311794

Bellingham Monday Lunch Club

Monday 10.30 am – 2 pm

Christ Church URC, Bellingham Green, SE6 3HQ

Lunch, bingo and raffle. £5 which includes lunch, tea, coffee and bingo, and it's 50p extra for the raffle.

Contact: Kathy 07880 670241

FoodCycle Lewisham

Saturday 1.30 – 3 pm

Lewisham Irish Community Centre, 2a Davenport Road SE6 2AZ

Free sit down three course vegetarian community meal. Extra groceries to take away from Catford Fridge. Just turn up.

Contact: lewisham@foodcycle.org.uk. Visit: <https://foodcycle.org.uk/location/foodcycle-lewisham/>.

Front Room Club

Monday, Tuesday & Friday 9.30 am – 2.30 pm

St Lukes Church, Northover BR1 5JR

Cafe style drop in, providing a safe, welcoming and supportive place to grow. Lunch Club on Monday and Friday with a two course lunch for £3.

Contact: Sandra 079571 06853. Visit: <http://stlukesdownham.org.uk/front-room-club/>

Greater Faith Ministries Community Meal

2nd Friday of the month 5 – 7 pm

Leemore Centre, 29 - 31 Clarendon Rise, SE13 5EY (Bonfield Road entrance)

Free community meal, first come, first served. Aiming to serve 30-40 people. Vegetarian options available.

Contact: info.greaterfaith@gmail.com or 020 8314 1720

The Feast

Wednesday 7 – 9 pm

King's Church, Catford Hill SE6 4PS

Free three course meal along with signposting and support. Particular focus on rough sleepers and homeless people.

Ichthus Church Community Table

Friday 1.30 – 3.30 pm (not August)

Ichthus Lee Green, 23 Lampmead Road SE12 8QJ

A free main meal with dessert for anyone in the community. Signposting and support too.

Contact: 07950 255630

Lewisham Islamic Centre

Saturday 4 – 6 pm

383 Lewisham High Street SE13 6NZ

Hot soup to take away served outside.

RCCG Faith Chapel Lunch Hour

2nd & 4th Saturday 2 – 4 pm

RCCG Faith Chapel, 108 Brookehowse Road SE6 3TW

Hot meal to take away for Bellingham residents.

Rehoboth Community Outreach

Monday 11 am – 1 pm

Ray Champion Meeting Room, 1 - 18 Allwood Close SE26 4JP (Hazel Grove Estate)

They can arrange deliveries for over 60s and families who would struggle to attend.

Contact: 07487 738908

Seventh-day Adventist Church

Thursday 5 – 6.30 pm

434 Lewisham High Street SE13 6LJ

Free hot meal and groceries.

Silver Lunch Club - with Ageing Well for over 50s

Thursday 12.30 – 2.30 pm

Wesley Halls, 2 Shrofffield Road, Downham BR1 5PE

Join for £5 for activities and a hot lunch. All welcome. Regular activities include arts and crafts and gentle exercise, often with speakers and presenters from other local groups and organisations.

UCKG Catford Soup Kitchen

Saturday 11 am – 2 pm

UCKG Help Centre, 1 Bromley Road Catford SE6 2TS

Home cooked soup, meals, and surplus food eg sandwiches, bread and milk to take away. Meat and vegetarian options.

Contact: 020 7686 6000 or 020 7686 6049



Last updated August 2023.

Services are likely to change, please check with the project directly for most up-to-date details and that the offer is suitable for you.

If you would like your organisation to feature or have noticed a service change, please contact: goodfood@lewishamlocal.com