



**Preston
Salvation Army
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Dear Friends,

We would like to say an extremely big thank you for your help and support this year with our Annual Christmas Appeal.

This year we helped 267 families with food hampers, families ranging from 1 to 9 members. 920 bags of food were given out in total.

We provided toys for 338 0-10 year olds, and gifts for 209 10-16 year olds. A total of 547 children were given toys/gifts. On average each child was given about 10 items making the total around 5470 toys/gifts that were given out.

The food bank was also extremely busy in December which saw us giving out 1134 bags of food/toiletries to people in need.

We were quite worried at one point of our appeal as some tables were bare! But the donations then flooded in and we were able to provide all families referred to us with food or gifts, and we have had a wonderful start to January's food bank (another very busy month for us!)

Without all the wonderful donations we received we would have been unable to help as many families as we did. Your giving enabled The Salvation Army, Preston, to serve others across the city and beyond.

Thank you all once again, and may we wish you all a very Happy New Year!

Kind Regards,

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