



BREAKFAST PROJECT NEWSLETTER

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As you will know, one of the CTIPA initiatives is the Penzance Breakfast Project and this newsletter is intended to give an update on the project and our activities.

- People find themselves homeless for many reasons; they may be from our local community or have come here in the hope of a better place to be.
- The Breakfast project has been running since 1980 and its aim is to provide a cooked breakfast for people who are homeless in the Penzance area.
- It is based in the Breadline Centre which is operated by the St Petroc's organisation who provide advice and support, as well as accommodation, to homeless people across Cornwall.
- This link with St Petroc's means that, in addition to providing a cooked breakfast Monday to Friday, a friendly face and a safe dry place which is very welcome after a stormy night in a tent, there is access to advice and support from St Petroc's staff.
- On average we provide breakfasts to 10 people each day. We employ a part time co-ordinator, who does most of the cooking (and shopping), with support from a team of local volunteers.
- Over the last two years we have had to adapt our operation to meet the requirements of lockdowns and other Covid related pressures. During Lockdowns our co-ordinator went to the Centre and cooked take away breakfasts. However, in October 2021 we have been able to resume the indoor service.

VOLUNTEERS

- Volunteers help serve food and drinks from 9.30am to 10.30am, usually on one day a week. For understandable reasons, Covid has meant that our previous team of volunteers is much smaller currently. If anyone is interested in joining us please get in touch for more information.

FUNDING

- The Breakfast Project is funded by donations from member Churches and Individuals as well as from other CTIPA sources. However, there is a need for additional funding if we are to be able to keep the project running. We are, therefore, applying for grants from various sources.
- If you, or your Church, already support the project through a donation – **THANK YOU**.
- If other Churches or individuals would be willing to make a regular donation to help keep the project running we would be very grateful

I have been Chair of the project management Committee for the last two years and a volunteer for longer and it is very rewarding to see those in need benefit, and to know the project can be the means of connecting people with the support they need.

With best wishes Vance Webster

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