

Since January 2016 FEED has given out more than 500 food parcels.

For more information on the FEED project contact us on 01915693511



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## FEED Update May 2016

Public donations have helped to create **Food Parcels** which have been delivered to people in crisis situations – examples have included individuals suffering mental health problems, temporary residents in a Women’s Refuge, individuals starting employment with a gap in their income, those recently home from hospital, victims of robbery, those who lost their homes due to fire, families affected by changes to benefits, redundancy and so much more. Those affected by Domestic Abuse can also receive additional items such as toiletries, sanitary products and babies nappies which is funded by the Police Crime Commissioner.

Now more than ever we rely on your support to keep the FEED project going. With half term and summer holidays approaching fast we know there will be an increase in demand for food parcels from families who struggle financially to feed their children whilst they are off school. Please continue to collect.

## THE FEED PROJECT DESPERATELY NEED DONATIONS OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD

### Sarah’s\* Story

Sarah is a mother of three from Wingate who was referred to the FEED project by the mental health team. She was in high levels of debt with loan sharks and spending all of her income through benefits on paying off interest. She has since received Debt Advice and continues to receive support from her CPN.

### James’\* Story

James is a twenty year old who found himself homeless after his mother died and his father moved away. With no support system or housing, he was referred via a housing agency who was supporting him during his period of ‘bed hopping’ until they could arrange suitable housing.

### Julie’s\* Story

Julie is a mother of four, including two children under 2 years old. Julie’s partner is in hospital in a critical condition and she is struggling to cover the cost of visiting her partner, caring for her four children and signing on for her benefits.

\*Names have been changed to protect the identities of FEED beneficiaries.