

## Introduction

The Stop Hunger Foundation has had another successful year supporting projects and charities that help tackle hunger and malnutrition.

Our beneficiaries ranged from people impacted by homelessness to supporting children make healthier lifestyle choices. Improving the quality of life is at the core of what Sodexo does, so our Foundation aims to provide support to those who need it most in the communities where we operate.

This year we volunteered just under 4000 hours with our charity partners. At our annual Foundation Dinner, Denis Machuel, CEO of Sodexo, highlighted the importance of volunteering and called on

attendees to commit to volunteering. This led to several exciting volunteering events with our clients and suppliers. I extend my thanks to those who supported us, including McCain, the Cabinet Office and Bunzl, to name but a few.

I would like to particularly thank Sodexo employees for their on-going passion and engagement, without which we could not have achieved the exceptional impact we had this year.

We are proud to share the details of this year's work and successes. Moving forward, we continue to strive to provide help and support to those areas of our communities that most need it.



Gareth John

Chair, Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation





The Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation tackles hunger and malnutrition across the communities where our employees work. Our philanthropic and volunteering activities include food aid and education on health, nutrition and wellbeing.



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# 2019 Snapshot

£510,568

**RAISED THIS YEAR** 





300, +000

**BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED** 



JUST UNDER **VOLUNTEERING** 



£300, 000 +**GIVEN IN GRANTS** 



#### Volunteering

At the annual Stop Hunger Foundation Dinner, Sodexo's CEO Denis Machuel invited guests to volunteer through Stop Hunger. As a result, our supplier Bunzl launched a partnership with us, providing their employees national volunteering opportunities to help tackle hunger and malnutrition



I'm pleased that Bunzl is joining Sodexo employees to tackle hunger and malnutrition through the Stop Hunger Foundation. Volunteering together means we help much more vulnerable people in the UK & Ireland. We are better when we act together. Sean Haley, Chairman, Sodexo UK and Ireland



June also saw employees from the Cabinet Office and Sodexo join forces at FareShare London.

Thank you for arranging us to join you yesterday on the frontline of the fight against hunger. I ended the day with new respect of the great work done by all... We appreciate the steps Sodexo takes to improve the quality of life for the markets in which it operates. Thanks for letting us be part of it. **Cabinet Office Employee** 

### **Employee Lottery**

£100,000 raised

This year we have continued to grow our Employee Lottery engagement with just under 4000 Sodexo employees taking part, raising over £100,000.

We would also like to extend a special thanks to other organisations that joined us: Bunzl, Diageo, Johnson & Johnson. McCain, 4C, and more!

If you would like to get involved with our opportunities next year please get in touch -StopHunger.UKandIE@sodexo.com

## **Fundraising**

#### **Foundation Dinner**



£190,000 raised

The annual Sodexo Foundation Dinner provides a fantastic opportunity to increase awareness for the charity amongst our suppliers, clients and employees. Throughout the evening, guests are offered an insight into how the money raised provides food to those in need and promotes healthy lifestyles. Every year we also recognise those inspirational employees who have gone above and beyond to support the Foundation in the previous 12 months.

This year's event raised a whopping £190,000 for Stop Hunger - an amazing contribution for a fantastic cause! The guests enjoyed a performance from the Marylebone Project Choir, a charity providing beds and essential facilities to homeless women. Eleanor Cunningham, the founder of Edinburgh Food Social, gave a speech about the necessity for a greater focus on healthy eating amongst young people.



Of the money raised on the night, £4000 donated to the Marylebone Project went towards funding a Day Centre, providing facilities for rough sleepers, as well as supporting women to get back into work. Another £4,000 donated to the Edinburgh Food Social helped them create a new kitchen

space for young people to cook and develop a healthy lifestyle. Above: Denis Machuel, CEO of Sodexo, presenting at the Foundation Dinner

**Below: Guests at the Foundation Dinner** 

### **Golf Day**



£64,000 raised

Our annual Golf Day held at Woburn Golf club raised just over £64,000.

Over 80 guests attended, raising funds to support our charity partners across the UK and Ireland.

Stephen Hicks, a Trussell Trust Trustee, shared a few words on how widespread the issue of hunger is in the UK and how money raised from the Golf Day will help those trapped in the cycle of poverty.



## Sodexo employee activity

#### **Stop Hunger Day**

Our annual Stop Hunger Day was held on the 15th May 2019. Over 60 employees volunteered on the day across the UK, and we held fundraising activities at hundreds of our sites.



Sports and Leisure CEO, Chris Bray, and his team volunteering at Divine food rescue.

Sodexo employees volunteering at FareShare Manchester.



Our Chair of Trustees and Charity Champions volunteering at FareShare.



Our employees are always going above and beyond to raise money for Stop Hunger, here's just a few amazing examples...

Our team from our Justice segment scaled Ben Nevis (not once but twice!) raising over £120.





In December 2018 our colleagues in the Sports and Leisure segment arranged a series of 'Santa Dash' runs and raised £2,000!





On the 29th June a team from across the business came together and climbed Snowdon to raise money for Stop Hunger and salute Armed Forces Day raising over £3000!

Our AstraZeneca team participated in a Stop Hunger Day 5 aside football tournament and raised just under £200.



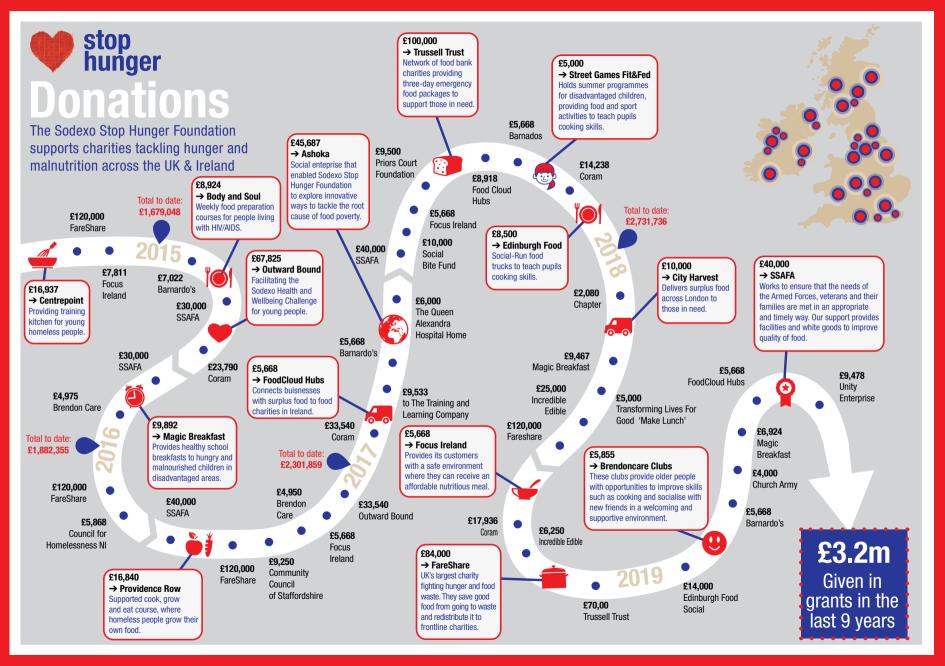
Our brave employees in the Sports and Leisure segment held a 35 mile walk across the Jurassic coast and raised £2,600!



Our staff across Schools and
Universities competed against each
other in a 'Stepathon', each team
donated to take part and in
total £340 was raised!

Our 'Three Wild Swimmers' (left to right) are Al Dawes, Kat Swift and Michelle Hukin from our Government and Agencies segment raised an amazing £1,246!





## Our impact on the ground

Here are some examples of the fantastic charities we support...

## **FareShare**

Meals donated: 336,000

Charity partners: over 10,000

Sodexo's donation of £84,000 to FareShare has enabled them to feed more vulnerable people across the UK and Ireland. FareShare used the funds to invest in transport, collecting surplus food from manufactures. Our donation has also enabled Farehsare to recruit a commercial manager, who has built a number of partnerships and established processes to collect more food from their food partners. Additionally, we provided volunteering support, which equated to 63,000kg of food being packed and distributed.

We'd like to say a huge thanks to the team from Sodexo who came in to help in our warehouse in November. They brightened up the day for our regular volunteers who were so happy to see a company as large as Sodexo come and help us in our East Midlands depot. Sadiq Ahmed, Volunteer Co-Ordinator FareShare East Midlands

FareShare
fighting hunger
tackling food waste

## **Trussell Trust**

Meals donated: 13,434

Foodbank users: 17,000

Sodexo's donation of £70,000 to Trussell Trust has enabled them to meet the demand for emergency food and support those visiting their Coventry foodbank. As a result, over 17,000 beneficiaries had access to the 3-day emergency food parcels, and the foodbank increased the capacity to receive and distribute large quantities of core food items to other foodbanks in the Coventry area.

Additionally, our grant went towards Trussell Trust's core strategy to empower its foodbank network to tackle the rising demand in food banks, and tackle the root causes of poverty. The Trussell Trust are campaigning to raise awareness around hunger and poverty, and to bring long term structural change with the aim to reduce the need for foodbanks in the future.





## **Focus Ireland**

People supported: 222

Meals donated: 667

Our donation of  $\mathfrak{L}5,000$  supported the Focus Ireland Coffee Shop to provide its customers with a safe environment where they can receive an affordable nutritious meal. The high-quality service also provides people at risk of homelessness with professional advice. This initiative is part of a preventative strategy to ensure families do not enter the cycle of homelessness.

In January 2019 alone, 102 families in Dublin became homeless, highlighting the need for Focus Ireland's services. Their café also provides families with children a safe, secure and warm space for them to enjoy a meal together, do homework, watch tv and relax whilst waiting for a call about their accommodation for the evening. Having a nutritious meal provides some stability and normalcy in their lives. Our direct donation supported 375 households, 222 people and provided 667 meals.



## **Brendoncare Clubs**

People supported: 100

Sodexo provided a grant of £5,855 to Brendoncare Clubs, providing older people with opportunities for social interaction and to meet new friends in a welcoming and supportive environment.

Our grant supported Brendoncare's volunteer-led programme of 'cooking for 1' demonstrations for its club members to tackle age-related malnutrition. This involved Brendoncare's volunteers demonstrating how to make nutritious, easy to cook, tasty recipes across the club network. The demonstrations continue to be a highlight of the club activity programme, engaging members to understand the importance of healthy eating in older age. The sessions developed confidence to independently prepare a hot, balanced meal with over 75% of members saying that they would cook the recipes at home.

Joining a Brendoncare Club has really made my life worth living and I think it's wonderful what Brendoncare does and the care it provides to older people.

Bob, 92, Brendoncare Club Member





## Getting involved

#### **Applying for support**

External charities can apply by sending an enquiry of interest through the Stop Hunger UK & Ireland website **uk.stop-hunger.org/home/grants** 

For more information, please visit Stop Hunger UK and Ireland **uk.stop-hunger.org** 

#### Sodexo employees

If you know a charity or social enterprise that would benefit with support from the foundation, please contact us.

- You can access information about fundraising through the Sodexo\_Net Stop Hunger page
- Visit the volunteering page on Sodexo\_Net for information on how to use your three days volunteering allowance
- Stop Hunger merchandise (accessed via Sodexo\_Net)
- Create Online Giving Page for fundraising. Charities Trust charitiestrust.org/services

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