

ADDITIONAL FOOD SUPPORT AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS IN LEEDS

In light of COVID-19 we are putting additional support in place to ensure everyone is able to access the food they need. Please see below for the process of making a referral for your service users.



Who is eligible for help?

If someone is finding it difficult to access food due to financial constraints, self-isolation or accessibility of food provision, then they are eligible for help.

Their personal circumstances will determine the type of help they can receive—i.e. whether it is a food delivery, food collection or supermarket vouchers.

How do I make a referral?

To make a referral please fill out a 'Referral for Emergency Food Provision (COVID-19)' form. Please email Thriving@leeds.gov.uk to request this form.

Please include as much detail as possible and return the form to lwss@leeds.gov.uk as soon as possible after completion.

Ensure that you provide a contact name and number for yourself at the bottom of the form so that we are able to get in contact if needed.

What happens next?

Once the Local Welfare Support Team receive your referral they will input this data and share with volunteer and staff coordinators who are working with Voluntary Action Leeds.

They will then work with local based suppliers to coordinate and deliver either food parcels or a supermarket voucher to a provision hub close to the service user. Alternatively, arrangements will be made for a delivery to their home by DBS-checked volunteers.

These provision hubs could be your service, and include schools, children's centres, foodbanks, community hubs and third sector organisations.

There is also space on the form to note if they require any additional support, please use this space to help us ensure individuals and families are referred to further services as needed.

**For more information and guidance please
contact the Local Welfare Support Team on 0113 376 0330**

