

## Help to make your money go further this winter

### **1. Food**

Emergency food parcels can be referred by **North East Edinburgh Neighbourhood Centre** (Edinburgh Library Building) Face to Face 101 Niddrie Mains Road EH16 4DS

**Empty Kitchens:** You can access meal packs for 2 days that can be heated in the microwave 07895 347 157 hello@emptykitchens.co.uk

<https://www.emptykitchens.co.uk/>

#### Food Pantries

**Richmond Hope Church,** Fair Share Thursday, Food for a couple of pound, Thursday's 10-11am, 227 Niddrie Mains Road EH16 4PA

<https://www.richmondcraigmillarchurch.org/fair-share-thursday/>

**Ripple Project** Pantry Wednesday 10-11am, 10 items for £2, cost price vegetables until 1.30pm, 198 Restalrig Road South EH7 6DZ

<https://www.rippleproject.co.uk/food-dignity>

**Portobello Community Fridge** 10.30-11.30am every Saturday at the Baptist Church, 183 Portobello High Street.

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/portycommunityfridge/?locale=en\\_GB](https://www.facebook.com/groups/portycommunityfridge/?locale=en_GB)

**Greenhouse Pantry** in Craigmillar £4.50 for a membership Thursday: 10.00am - 2.00pm Friday: 9.30am - 12.00noon Call in to register Greenhouse Pantry 64 Niddrie Mains Road EH16 4BG

<https://www.yourlocalpantry.co.uk/pantry-listings/edinburgh-greenhouse-pantry/>

**Hays Community Pantry** £1 to join if from Bingham, Magdalene and the Hays, Places for People Hub 3 Hay Avenue EH16 4RW Wednesdays 11-2pm also a Pet Food Pantry 10-12pm on Thursdays

<https://www.communityrenewal.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/The-Hays-Pantry-Membership-Information.pdf>

#### Free Meals

**Hibernian Community Foundation** Easter Road Stadium 12 Albion Pl, Edinburgh EH7 5QG: Monday 12.30-2pm Free 2 course meal

<https://hiberniancf.org/community/lunch-club/>

**Niddrie Community Church,** Free Meals - Every Tuesday 530 – 730pm 12 Hay Drive, EH16 4RY - 0131 669 9400

Sandy's Soup and Sandwiches Tuesday 12-2pm free cuppa and something hot to eat 07504 627 853  
[sandyscommunitycentre@gmail.com](mailto:sandyscommunitycentre@gmail.com) Sandy's Community Centre 76 Craigmillar Castle Avenue EH16  
4DW

### Food Delivery

**Volunteer Edinburgh Community Task Force** Free one off service - delivering a newspaper daily, taking bins downstairs, walking dogs, getting weekly shopping with a shopping list for people that cannot go to the shops to buy for themselves etc [taskforce@volunteeredinburgh.org.uk](mailto:taskforce@volunteeredinburgh.org.uk) 0131 225 0630. Open 10am – 6pm every day

## **2. Help with Electricity and Gas Bills**

**Home Energy Scotland:** Help with lowering bills, grants and schemes to make homes more energy efficient, small grants to help with bills 0808 808 2282

### Referral based organisations

**Edinburgh Food Project**, you could access money advice, food vouchers, small funds. You can call or email in the first instance Now have a base at Thistle Foundation Centre of Wellbeing, 13 Queen's Walk, Edinburgh EH16 4EA

<https://edinburghfoodproject.org/access-the-money-advice-service/>

**Edinburgh City Mission**, could access food for up to 6 weeks, clothing, gift for a child's birthday

<https://edinburghcitymission.org.uk/>

## **3. For benefit checks and income maximisation**

**Citizens Advice Bureau**, For appointments: 0131 510 5510

Portobello Hub: 8A-B Bath Street EH15 1EY Drop-in service (without appointment)

Monday: 09:30 - 12:30

Leith hub: 23 Dalmeny Street EH6 8PG Drop-in service (without appointment)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 09:30 - 12:30

[www.citizensadviceedinburgh.org.uk](http://www.citizensadviceedinburgh.org.uk)

**Advice Shop**, Can call email or fill in online form to get help with benefits checks 0131 200 2360  
[advice.shop@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:advice.shop@edinburgh.gov.uk) 249 High Street Edinburgh EH1 1YJ

<https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/advice-shop>

## **4. Debt Advice**

**Christians Against Poverty**, anything from advice to restructuring debt to easier monthly payments,  
0800 328 0006

## **5. Broadband**

Social Tariffs for those on benefits, can get as cheap as £15 a month

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/phones-telecoms-and-internet/advice-for-consumers/costs-and-billing/social-tariffs>