



**Christmas in Lewisham**

**Useful services, meals and food**

**Services**

**Lewisham Council**

**Customer Service Centre** 020 8314 6000 - open every day, 24/7

**Crisis Mental Health Line**

**(South London and Maudsley 24 hour mental health support line)**

0800 731 2864 – open every day.

**Advice Lewisham**

Closed 24th to 3rd January inclusive.

**Social services Gateway**

Open till 4pm on Xmas eve, 28th and 31st.  On other dates staffed by Emergency Duty Team. Out of hours number is 0208 430 2000

**Pharmacies**

Awaiting details

**Children & Young People**

Free activities and lunches for school-aged children and young people (aged 5–16 years – up to 19 for children/young people with SEND) getting Free School Meals.

Download the booklet to find an activity programme for your family:

**https://www.lewishamcfc.org.uk/lewisham-winter-holiday-food-and-fun/**

**Community Connections Lewisham**

Phoneline open until 4pm on Friday 23rd December and re-opens Tuesday 3rd January at 9.30am. The deadline to request Xmas meals delivered to single people on their own is 14th December

**Lewisham Donation Hub**

Unit D, PLACE/Ladywell, SE13 6AY

Open as usual - Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 11am – 2.30pm.

Food, clothing, home essentials. They offer a range of fresh and frozen foods, and a more limited selection of non-perishables, toiletries, women's essentials and incontinency pads. No booking required but do check the website for important service information as it is weather dependent www.lewishamdonationhub.org

**DWP**

Closed from 25th and open 30th and 31st.

**Good Gym**

Please make last referrals before 3pm on Fri 23rd. Referrals re-open 28th until 3pm on 30thand from Tuesday 3rd Jan. Missions continue every day but need to be requested in advance.

**Silver Line**

The Silver Line Helpline offers conversation and is open 365 days a year 24 hours  – 0800 470 8090

**Food**

**See Lewisham Local’s website for up-to-date information on general food provision**

[**https://www.lewishamlocal.com/lewisham-community-meals-and-foodbank-provision/**](https://www.lewishamlocal.com/lewisham-community-meals-and-foodbank-provision/)

**Free Christmas meals**

These community organisations and businesses offer a free meal or food support for people who might be spending Christmas on their own, or may be struggling financially and need emergency food. Details can change so please contact the project directly to double-check..

**Christmas Day**

**All Saints Church**

105 New Cross Road, SE14 5DJ

Provide a Christmas Meal on Christmas Day 12.30-4.30pm. 020 7639 2889.

[**Catford Soup Kitchen (UCKG Soup Kitchen)**](https://www.lewishamlocal.com/places/united-kingdom/greater-london/london/lewisham-groups/uckg-soup-kitchen/)

UCKG Help Centre 1 Bromley Road Catford, SE6 2TS 020 8698 3612.

Open Saturdays 11am-1pm, continuing with provision of home cooked soup, meals, and surplus food such as sandwiches, bread and milk to choose from and takeaway. Meat and veg options

Open as usual over Christmas, including Christmas Day - providing Christmas dinner 12 – 3pm.

**Taste Soul Good and Cummin Up Caribbean takeaway**

389 Lewisham High Street, SE13 6NZ.

Provide a hot festive meal on Christmas day.

For enquiries call 0783 142 3163

**Boxing Day**

**Christ Church United Reformed Church Bellingham**

15 Bellingham Green, London SE6 3HQ

Free Xmas dinner with entertainment for over 40s. Run by Tommo and his merry band of elves. Monday 26th December and Monday 2nd January, 10.30-5pm. Book by phoning or texting: 0771 2677 174

**Around Christmas**

**The Constitutional**

108 Rushey Green, SE6 4HW

Free Xmas dinner for Lewisham residents age 50+. 12pm on Monday 19th December – call Community Connections to book on 0330 058 3464

**The Feast at King's Church Catford**

Catford Hill, SE6 4PS

Christmas dinner on Wednesday 21st December at 7pm.

**Greater Faith Ministries**

Community meal on Friday 23rd December 5-7pm for up to 30 people at the Leemore Centre 29-31 Clarendon Rise, London SE13 5EY. GFM are starting to do monthly meals, so look out for their January one.

**HAF (Children’s Winter Holiday Programme – activities and free lunch at multiple venues)**

19th – 22nd Dec, with a few dates after until 31st Dec

hafprogramme@lewisham.gov.uk

<https://www.lewishamcfc.org.uk/lewisham-winter-holiday-food-and-fun/>

[**Ichthus**](https://www.lewishamlocal.com/places/united-kingdom/greater-london/london/area/ichthus-church-community-table/)[**Community Table**](https://www.lewishamlocal.com/places/united-kingdom/greater-london/london/area/ichthus-church-community-table/)

Ichthus Lee Green, 23 Lampmead Rd, London SE12 8QJ

Christmas dinner on Friday 23rd December at the usual time of 1.30pm. Should also be open on 30th.

**Pie n Mash**

Offering an xmas meal at Deptford Square (opposite Deptford Lounge, corner of Giffin Street and Deptford High Street) on Thurs 22nd December, from 2:30 pm, all welcome

**Food Projects**

**AFRIL/Helping Hands Food Bank**

St Peter’s Church, Lee, SE12 8HQ

Last foodbank 17th Dec (with extra food and vouchers) and first foodbank 7th Jan 2023. Contact Helen food bank director on 07549031729 or foodbank@afril.org.uk

**Barley Loaves**

The Ecclēsia (London City Mission) 1 Cornmill Lane, Lewisham SE13 7FY

Continue with Monday provision. Mondays 26th December and 2nd January they will be open for collection as usual. barleyloaves@ecclesia.uk

**Bear Church**

The Shaftesbury Christian Centre, Frankham Street, SE8 4RN

Our last day will be the 18th Dec. We will be doing Carols and food in Griffin Square in the afternoon. Open to all.

**Catford Fridge**

Lewisham Irish Community Centre, SE6 4AS

Closed over the 24th/25th December and 31st/1st weekends

[**ChART Food Project**](https://www.chartbiglocal.org.uk/)

WG Grace Community Centre, 1 Lions Close, Grove Park SE9 4HG.

Open as usual over Christmas, every Wednesday 10am - 11am.

**CoCo Collective Ital Community Garden**

73 Firhill Rd, London SE6 3SE

Last day for the public before Xmas til the new year will be 11th Dec

**Come out of Hiding**

Glass Mill Leisure Centre, 41 Loampit Vale, SE13 7FT

They are doing a Christmas Open House event on Saturday 24th December where families can get Christmas meal hampers including warm clothes, mini gift sets and toys for children. Welcome to everyone in the Lewisham borough we have a capacity of 150 families and it will be on a first come first serve basis. Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/wRbwigPpwyUcWH2x5>

**Feed the Hill**

367 New Cross Rd, London SE14 6AT

Open as usual. Working with Bold Vision, Feed the Hill delivers food boxes to housebound people in SE4, SE8 & SE14. Boxes are delivered for free to those self-isolating or experiencing food poverty. https://boldvision.uk/feed-the-hill/ Text: 07748 713 212, by the end of Sat. for next week. Boxes are nutritionally balanced, dietary needs catered for. They run a small “social supermarket” on Wed 10am - noon for people on low incomes who may benefit from spending less on their weekly shop (£2 per shop) no membership required, please bring proof of address.

**Felix Project**

Open over Christmas as usual except 25th, 26th December and 1st January.

**Foodcycle Lewisham**

Lewisham Irish Community Centre, SE6 4AS

Last dateis the 17th December. We have Give A Song as entertainment. Open again on the 7th January.

**Kath’s Place We Care Community Hub**

50 Friendly Street, Deptford, SE8 4DR. Open as always Wed – Sat. Only days closed are Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year’s Eve and New Year’s Day.

**Legendary Community Club**

Collection from Youth First sites across the borough.

Foodbank finishes on Friday 16th and reopens 5th Jan

Email legendarycclub@gmail.com or call/msg Andra on 07581566004

[**Lewisham Foodbank**](https://lewisham.foodbank.org.uk/)

Multiple locations

Our last day open before Christmas is Friday 23rd (Catford Salvation Army) and we reopen on Tuesday 3rd (Lewisham Salvation Army).

**Lewington Food Project**

Lewington Community Centre, 9 Eugenia Road, SE16 2RU.

Open Wednesday 21st December, Wednesday 28th December, possibly also Thursday 29th December (TBC). We will be back to normal on Friday 6th January 2023.

[**Rastafari Movement UK**](https://www.lewishamlocal.com/places/united-kingdom/greater-london/london/area/rastafari-movement-uk/#:~:text=Rastafari%20Movement%20UK%20is%20an,have%20reached%20out%20to%20us.)

RMUK wellbeing will be doing deliveries as usual until 20th December. No delivery 26th/27th Dec or 2nd/3rd Jan. Normal opening times resume on Monday 9th January.

Offering African and Caribbean Cultural Foods, fresh fruits, veg and Ital emergency delivery and doorstep befriending service for vulnerable households in Lewisham, Lambeth and Southwark. Referrals can be made to rmukwellbeing@gmail.com Tel 07769813799. Deliveries once a week Tuesday evenings. Users must register. There is a £2 to £4 contribution required. For emergency food requests or to offer food donations, please call Chi on 07377871228 or Derwin on 07879652645

[**Rehoboth Community Outreach**](https://www.lewishamlocal.com/places/united-kingdom/greater-london/london/lewisham-groups/food-collection-point-at-rehoboth-community/)

Ray Champion Room, 1-18 Allwood Close, Sydenham, SE26 4JP.

Open until 24th December, reopening Monday 2nd Jan, may be open on Boxing Day depending on demand.

Children and families Christmas Dinner 10th December

Annual Community Dinner for the vulnerable, elderlies over 60’s and homeless on 19th December 1-4pm

We are open throughout December. We have added a few more days for extra support:

Mondays 11am - 2pm

Tuesday 12pm - 2pm

Thursday 11am - 2pm

Saturday 11am - 2pm

All deliveries slots full - Collection only.

**St. Peter's Brockley Food Bank & Social Supermarket**

Wickham Road, Brockley, SE4 1LT.

We will closed Dec. 28th but will be open all the other Wednesdays, reopening 4th Jan.

**For referral/SE4 people only** - On 21st December we’re giving a regular food parcel, plus Christmas hampers with everything needed to make a Christmas dinner. There will be a bit of a party too!

**Sydenham Community Supermarket**

72A Mayeswood Road, SE12 9RP

From 24th November, new opening times: Thursdays 9-12, 2-3 (last entry 2.45)

**Whitefoot and Downham Food Project**

Hope Church 480 Whitefoot Lane Downham, BR1 5SF

Last Thursday open is 22nd December, they reopen on 5th January.

Open Thursdays 7-8.30pm for those living in the Whitefoot and Downham area.

**World of Life Church, Grove Park**

72A Mayeswood Rd, SE12 9RP

On 17th December they are providing 100 Christmas Hampers for needy families. This will feed a family of four, includes turkey and all the trimmings. Then close for the Christmas break and re-open in January.

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Spotted corrections or updates? Email Michael.stuart@ageuklands.org.uk