

Information about our current community partners, their activities and what they do with the food provided by FFA

<p>1. The Vench – adventure playground and community centre, Lockleaze</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Function/Activities: play sessions with lunch during the school holidays (5 days/week), term time open access after-school play sessions with healthy supper (Tues and Thurs), food club (families can buy mixed bags of foodstuffs for £3.50 - market value £12-15 (Tues & Fri) • Attendees: mainly unaccompanied kids (aged 8-12) but some younger ones attend with parents, pre-pandemic often had 100 children but had to restrict to 50 during COVID • Food usage/donors: most FFA food used to provide a nourishing meal for children attending play sessions or after school club (any excess given to parents or used by food club), food cooked on site and often involves children - aims to expand their food choices and skills. Also receive donations from FareShare and North Bristol Food Bank
<p>2. St Paul’s Children’s centre – St Pauls</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Function/activities: local authority children’s centre providing a range of advice and support for families in need, families are referred e.g., by social services, includes a food club (providing mixed bags of foodstuffs for £3.50 – market value £12-15) • Food club users: ‘max capacity’ for 50 families but currently supporting >110 • Food usage/donors: FFA food used mainly for food club supplies, also receive FareShare donations and can refer families for food bank vouchers (these don’t cover full weekly food costs)
<p>3. Felix Rd Adventure playground - Easton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Function/activities: an amalgamation of 3 community organisations providing children’s play, family time and community awareness raising activities. Holiday hub (all day) with free hot meals for all children, served over 3000 meals this Summer. Now open every evening after school and 1-5pm on Sundays. • Attendees: mainly aged 7-11 but some younger accompanied, have 900 children on register and 100-300 attending each summer session (50 regular families). • Food usage/donors: FFA food used to provide free, nutritional, fresh home cooked food at all these sessions, also receive North Bristol Foodbank donations and excess produce from Tesco
<p>4. May Park Primary school - Eastville</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Function: a community academy in East Bristol for children aged 3 - 11 years. Daily breakfast and after school club where children pay a small sum for a drink and bread with a choice of spreads. • Food Usage and activities: FFA donations are used to provides food parcel to 17 families (with 50 + children) and bowls of fruit to students in the morning.
<p>5. Southmead Children’s Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Function: run by Bristol City Council Early Years’ service. Provides a range of universal and targeted services to support families in need (including a food club, advice, and nursery). • Food Usage and activities: FFA donations are used to supplement food club supplies – currently mainly provided by FareShare. Southmead Children’s Centre are our newest partners and we’re working together to find out how best to support them.