

**Churches Homeless Action ensures that homelessness issues are kept on the churches' agenda.**

**The people who will benefit will be reached through:**

**Society of St James**

Direct access day centre for homeless people and other services

**Two Saints**

For homeless people in Fareham and Portsmouth

**Friends Without Borders**

Support for asylum seekers whilst their applications are processed

**Hope House (The Salvation Army)**

Provides support for homeless people

**Portsmouth Churches**

**Housing Association**

Runs three hostels for the homeless

**Portsmouth Foyer**

**Younger persons**

Helps equip vulnerable people with skills and qualities necessary for life

**Women's Aid**

Provides emergency respite for women and children

**St Simon's Church**

Provides meals and support for homeless people

**Southern Domestic Abuse Service**

Provides emergency respite for women and children

**The LifeHouse**

A drop-in for people whose lives are affected by homelessness and addiction in Southsea

**Roberts Centre**

Supports over 1000 families in the Portsmouth area

**For more information, to get involved in helping the homeless or if your church or group would like a speaker from a CHA supported organisation, email: [portsmouthdeanery.admin@portsmouth.anglican.org](mailto:portsmouthdeanery.admin@portsmouth.anglican.org) or phone 023 92 822990**



**Churches  
Homeless  
Action 2017**

**Make Christmas  
special for someone  
in need**

## What can you do

**All you need to do is donate £5 gift cards from stores such as Tesco, Asda, Sainsbury's and Argos, which will be given to people in need this Christmas.**

Please only buy £5 vouchers so we can share them out fairly.

### **Bring or send them to:**

Deanery Office, St Faiths Church,  
Crasswell Street, Portsmouth PO1 1HT  
023 9282 2990

### **To arrive before:**

**13<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

You can write a card to go with the voucher which personalises the gift. However, please do not give your name and/or address and do not seal the envelope.

**Thank you for your support, all your donations go direct to people who are homeless or vulnerable to being made homeless.**

## What we will do

Churches Homeless Action (CHA) ensures that homelessness issues are kept on the churches' agenda. We will make sure that the gift cards get to the agencies listed in time for Christmas so that people will know someone has thought of them.

We will make sure the agencies have sufficient vouchers to give to their clients for Christmas.

**You are warmly invited to a carol celebration, where the gift cards will be handed to the agency representatives:**

**When:** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017

**Time:** 12.00pm

**Where:** St Mary's Church,  
Fratton Road, Portsmouth PO1 5PA

Gift cards will be handed to the representatives of the agencies at the service and people from the projects will speak about what the project means to individuals and families. Free refreshments and a chance to meet the agencies and CHA members.



## What the project means to people...

"I bought a little something for my mum with my voucher, she was very pleased"  
**Portsmouth Foyer resident**

"Thank you to who ever gave me the voucher, it made me feel so special"  
**Roberts Centre family**

"My husband and I, and our two small children spent over an hour in Morrison's choosing what to spend it on"  
**Roberts Centre family**

"This will make a real difference to me and my children this Christmas"  
**Southern Domestic Abuse Service**