



SODEXO TOGETHER & THE STOP HUNGER FOUNDATION

MK FOODBANK VOLUNTEERING ROUNDUP: OCTOBER 2022

THE SODEXO STOP HUNGER FOUNDATION

The Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation empowers its employees around the world to join forces, engage their teams and fight hunger in their local communities.

105

Business Hours
Contributed

35

Sodexo
Employees

5000

Families Supported



HISTORY

Sodexo created the Stop Hunger Foundation in 1996 with the aim of tackling hunger, supporting good nutrition, and promoting life skills in local communities across the world.

With 795 million people worldwide living without enough food, or without the skills they need to lead a healthy life, there's so much work to be done – and we're so proud of our ability to make a difference across the world.



It was such a privilege to be a part of something so important. It really brought home the generosity of people donating and all the people behind the scenes making it work!

Michelle Axworthy,
Regional Account Manager, Sodexo Engage



MK FOOD BANK

We help those in crisis in Milton Keynes.

Here at MK Food Bank, we have supported the local community with emergency food parcels since 2004.

We rely solely on donations of food and money from the local community, schools, churches, and corporate sponsors, and together with your help, we distributed over 18,500 parcels to Milton Keynes residents in 2021 alone.

Three quarters of employees (77%)

believe that employers should be supportive of their staff taking time to volunteer

79% believe that businesses themselves benefit from employee volunteering

82% say volunteering develops their work skills and knowledge

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I really enjoyed my time at the food bank and I have contacted them to go back in my own time. My favourite part of the day was working together with colleagues as a team for a common goal.

James Bancroft,
Transversal Process Owner, Sodexo Engage



We continuously give our culture a workout, recognising the need to evolve in order to progress, engage, retain and recruit talented colleagues in the belief that talent comes from all walks of life.

We have done all this while generating lasting social impact and feel tangible benefits across our business. I believe everyone should be doing this.

Angela Halliday,
Director of Social Impact for Sodexo UK & Ireland

Around six million people (21% of the workforce) are putting their work skills into use on a voluntary basis
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A further 50% would like to volunteer using their occupational or professional skills
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It's my second time volunteering at MK Foodbank and I can't wait to go back. It's an emotional experience - seeing so many people giving up their time and how grateful MK Foodbank and the families it supports are for the help we can give.

Emily Hutchinson,
Employee Experience Marketing Lead, Sodexo Engage

SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PRACTICES

We're always looking for ways we can give back to the communities we work in, and we really pride ourselves on the impact we've been able to have.

We share our expertise and resources with local charities, schools and small businesses to make sure every member of the Sodexo family is part of an amazing community.



Sodexo Engage gives every employee 3 paid volunteering days annually



During October 2022, 35 Sodexo employees worked 3 hour shifts at MK Foodbank



MK Foodbank volunteering shifts were spread over 4 days to allow for maximum attendance.

The benefits of a strong workout culture to the business therefore include:

- Increased employee wellbeing
- Better staff retention and loyalty
- Increased attraction to potential employees
- Better and stronger links with their local community
- Enhanced profile and reputation with clients, potential clients and other key stakeholders
- Evidence of impact and commitment for sustainability, diversity and community engagement targets.

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It's three incredibly rewarding hours out of my day, and I'm grateful that Sodexo gives me the opportunity to do it. It's humbling. It really puts life into perspective.

Emily Purkiss

Employee Experience Marketing Lead, Sodexo Engage

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Across 35
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Funds Raised
Throughout the Year