



- Food past its 'Best-before' date is acceptable provided it is otherwise fit to eat
- Food withdrawn for incorrect/faulty labelling is acceptable provided correct information is provided so the consumer can make informed choices
- Packaging, or at least the inner wrapping must completely enclose donated food
- Fresh meat to be frozen must be frozen before its 'Best-before' date and must be hard-frozen when it leaves your storage
- Chilled foods must be maintained at or below 4 degrees Celsius
- Hot foods must be thoroughly cooked and kept above 60C
- Keep food items and non-food items separate
- Keep cooked and raw food separate
- If reusing packaging ensure the packaging has not been used for storing anything other than food and has been sanitised

We cannot accept:

- Food that is past its 'use-by' date
- Food that has been exposed or become contaminated
- Food displaying mould, slime or other signs of spoilage e.g. packaging inflated by spoilage gasses
- Excessively rusted cans, with damaged seams, leaking or bulging ends

'Poverty is a very complicated issue, but feeding a child isn't'. US Actor Jeff Bridges.

Kiwi Community Assistance


Food Donations

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 022 465 2201
Monday to Friday
8.30am to 1pm



**Kiwi
Community
Assistance**

REGISTERED CHARITY No: CC47974

Kiwis working together to reduce inequality in our communities



About us ...

Kiwi Community Assistance (KCA) rescues food, reduces waste and helps families in need. We are a community support distribution hub. We source food, clothing and household goods on behalf of other charities who work with individuals and families in need.

We are a North Wellington-based charity staffed entirely by volunteers working with community groups across the Wellington region. KCA makes a difference to Kiwi families by working to reduce inequality in Wellington communities.

100% of goods donated are distributed to the families we assist. We distribute as many food parcels as we can each week, the parcels containing fresh fruit, vegetables, milk, meals and bread. In a year, we provide more than 200,000 meals to families in need.

Donate surplus food ...

“The average New Zealand household throws out \$563 worth of food a year which is equivalent to 79 kilos. New Zealanders spend \$872 million a year on food that will be thrown away uneaten.”

(Waitaki Resource Recovery Park).

Most of the discarded food is still edible and nutritious and can be redistributed to families in need.

Your food donations will:

- Feed families in need across Wellington and Porirua
- Keep perfectly good food out of landfills reducing waste
- Give you that warmth of knowing you are making a tangible difference to the lives of people in your community

Donate:

- Food from regulated food providers such as cafes and supermarkets
- Fresh produce (chopped produce and some decay is acceptable)
- Prepared foods (leftover sandwiches, muffins etc.)
- Fresh or frozen meat
- Dairy and eggs
- Frozen food
- Canned and packaged good in their original packaging
- Home baking (cakes, muffins, biscuits)

We cannot accept:

- Food not from a regulated food provider (food not made in a licensed kitchen such as home-cooked meals or barbequed food)
- Oysters, shellfish, prawns and other high-risk seafoods
- Anything containing alcohol
- Food with damaged packaging or broken sanitary seal
- Decayed produce

Our community partners

We collect and distribute donated goods to our community partners who distribute the goods to the local families under their care. Our partners include:

- Agape Budgeting Services
- Supergrans Lower Hutt and Porirua
- Newlands foodbank
- St Anne's Pantry Foodbank
- Birthright Wellington
- Porirua Budget Service
- Porirua Women's Refuge
- Wellington Night Shelter
- St Vincents de Paul Society Foodbank

Commercial food donations

We welcome donations from commercial sources such as supermarkets, cafes and bakeries. Please notify us when foods requiring special handling are donated. All donated food must be fit for human consumption. The Food Act 1981 will apply to instances where food could be construed as food for sale.

We can only accept donations that follow the below guidelines:

- Foods with temperature control and or 'Use-by' dates must be treated with special care
- Foods that are only safe to eat for a limited time must be labelled as such and we must be explicitly informed of the time limit