

Each year Christmas Lunch on Jesus equips local churches to distribute Christmas hampers to families in need throughout various communities in the United Kingdom.

**Activity** Volunteers distribute hampers giving support to those in need and telling of love of Christ. During doorstep visits to families, volunteers may pray with them if they would like it. Churches are encouraged to build relationships with other churches and charities in their area. For this project there are two options which are to have a franchise model or simply to order a number of hampers from CLOJ



**Time Frames** Putting the team together, recruiting volunteers, liaising with churches, referral agencies and the local authority can all be done in 2 months. If you want to run a franchise model you will need to attend a one-day training session. If you just want to order hampers for the needy in your community, the training takes a maximum of 2 hours and it focuses on the role of volunteers.

**Financial Costs/Contribution** There is a £500 one-off fee if you want to run the project as a franchise, then a cost of £25 per hamper with a minimum order of 50. Otherwise hampers cost £28 per hamper with no minimum order.



### Community Support

The church needs to have good relationships with other local churches, as well as the local authority, referral agencies, banks and in some cases the police force.



### Project Support

CLOJ provides volunteer training, fundraising training, franchise training and support. They also provide networking support amongst churches, referral agency contacts, logistic solutions for delivery of the hampers to churches.

### Physical Resources

You will need a dedicated project officer, space to store the hampers, volunteers to help with distribution and list of delivery addresses from church or referral agencies.



### Human Resources

Ideally an experienced project officer, but any one with passion and good co-ordinating and organizing skills can lead. Anywhere from 2 – 50 caring volunteers is needed depending on the size of your project.

"Thank you all very much for a wonderful hamper, it was exciting to open it and discover all the good food inside. It certainly has made our Christmas something we don't have to worry about because everything has been catered for. So thank you all for making our Christmas special." the Brown family.

### Replications

Christmas Lunch  
on Jesus has  
**30**  
projects across  
the UK

"Many thanks for the Christmas hamper. As a pensioner, I really appreciated it because it provided us a hot Christmas lunch. We would not have afforded it as much of our pensions go on bills and there is very little left. We are eating very frugally. Many thanks."  
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