



Samaritans Emergency Relief

Information for Parishes

Samaritans Emergency Relief (ER) service provides assistance to people experiencing financial crisis.

We do this by providing short term emergency, financial or material assistance. Where possible we link people to other appropriate services and support.

ER is for those most at risk of financial exclusion and disadvantage and helps people in times of immediate financial crisis, as well as helps them build longer-term financial capability.

How can my parish be involved?

- Collect food to hand out as asked by local people in need. You can give this out with Samaritans flyer so people can seek help through our established ER centres. You can even offer your phone at the parish for someone to make an appointment with our nearest ER centre.
- Collect food and donate it to a Samaritans ER. When people ask for food, give them a flyer to our ER centre to make an appointment.

To talk through other ideas about how your parish may help your local community through Emergency Relief, please call our Emergency Relief Coordinator, Beth, on 02 4922 1531.

Samaritans ER Centres provide:



Food vouchers and food parcels for individuals and families.



Utility vouchers including vouchers to assist with electricity, gas and telephone bills.



Personal care items including hygiene products, sanitary products and clothing.



Chemist assistance for prescriptions and other needs.

Samaritans ER Locations

