

Over 13 million

people in the UK live in poverty

Cargill is investing over **£500,000** in FareShare to improve food security and nutrition in our UK communities

43,700

people benefit from the services of FareShare every day

3 million tonnes

of food is sent to landfill or waste annually

## Cargill helps FareShare to fight hunger and its underlying causes and ensure no good food is wasted

### Who is FareShare?

FareShare is a national UK charity supporting communities to relieve food poverty. FareShare is at the centre of two of the most urgent issues that face the UK: food poverty and food waste.

The charity addresses these issues in three ways:

- Providing quality food - surplus 'fit for purpose' product from the food and drink industry – to organisations working with disadvantaged people in the community
- Providing training and education around the essential life skills of safe food preparation and nutrition, and warehouse employability training through FareShare's Skills Training programme
- Promoting the message that 'No Good Food Should Be Wasted'

### How does Cargill Support FareShare?

Cargill began supporting FareShare in 2009 – with a two year commitment to help establish FareShare Merseyside – the 13th FareShare depot in the UK.

Now five years later and over £291,000 provided in funding (which in meal terms is equivalent to serving approximately 1,166,000 meals), the company has signed up to a new three-year £225,000 commitment to support FareShare North West and FareShare Merseyside, in order to allow for even more food to be redistributed to those communities in need.

Cargill employees are also providing volunteer support at FareShare's Liverpool and Manchester depots, sharing expertise and raising awareness of the efforts of FareShare in their local communities.

FareShare fed 7,200 more people each day last year than the year before and demand for its services are increasing at an alarming rate. The recession, rising cost of living and unemployment all mean there are more people turning to charities for food than at any other time in FareShare's history.

### Why Food Banking?

Access to food is a basic human right. Cargill is committed to promoting food security – it's what we work at every day. Food security is about building capacity locally to produce and deliver food to where it is needed, as well as enabling food to move from areas of surplus to areas of deficit globally, facilitated by open trade.

Cargill promotes food security in many ways, from working directly with farmers to help increase their productivity; to supporting government investments in rural communities and local agriculture. We also partner with global organizations, such as CARE and the World Food Programme, and local community-based organizations such as food banks. FareShare is one of twelve national foodbanking partnerships being supported by Cargill in Europe.

**Cargill's new funding commitment will enable FareShare to provide food for more than 300,000 meals to charities each year**

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