



Supporting communities.

It's all part of our Little Helps Plan.

We are proud to be part of thousands of communities around the world. We are committed to making a positive difference: through the local people we employ, the local businesses we work with, and the local causes we support.

29,819

local projects supported globally in 2018/19

62.7

million meals donated through our food surplus programmes in 2018/19

Target

Help our local communities thrive by positively contributing both socially and economically

1. Facilitate food surplus donation programmes in all our stores in order to provide meals to those in need
2. Support the projects and causes that matter to the local communities in every community where we operate

Case study

Helping children develop outside the classroom in Norwich



Young children in Norwich are benefiting from new outdoor equipment that will help improve their fitness. Heather Avenue Infant School was awarded a £4,000 grant through Tesco's Bags of Help

scheme, and this money has been used to rejuvenate the school's unused outdoor space.

Stacey Coleman, Headteacher at Heather Avenue, said:

"We started the project with a view to encouraging a healthy lifestyle among children, and we've already seen it benefit all 165 of our pupils."



What else are we doing to support local communities?

Community grants

Through regular in-store voting, customers get to choose the local projects that Tesco supports financially. To date we have supported over [23,000 local projects](#) in the UK.

Giving food to those in need

In partnership with [FareShare](#) and [The Trussell Trust](#) we work closely with food banks and local charities to help feed people in need. To date we have donated over 130 million meals in the UK through our Community Food Collection, The Food Collection, surplus donations from our Distribution Centres and Permanent Collection Points. Receiving this food frees up their money to focus on their services.

Community Champions

We have 320 Community Champions supporting communities across the UK.

Race for Life

We partner with [Cancer Research UK](#) to support [Race for Life](#) events across the country. 20,000 colleagues per year take part in local Race for Life events and over £45 million has been raised to date to fund vital research.

Value in Your Town

To help us further understand the contribution we make in different communities and how we can continue to help those communities grow, we commissioned an independent report called '[Value in Your Town](#)'. We also created an online tool which allows you to enter your location or postcode to find out how we support your local area.

Find out more

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