

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVP is an international Christian voluntary organisation dedicated to tackling poverty and disadvantage by providing practical assistance to those in need.

Every year, some 12,000 volunteer members in England and Wales express their faith through acts of service and contact with those most vulnerable within their communities. They befriend and assist individuals and families in need through visits to domestic residences, care homes, hospitals, prisons and other institutions. In addition to member visits, the Society also operates a number of "Special Works", which seek to serve people in a wider area or give more specialised help in a certain aspect of the work. These Special Works currently include furniture stores, holiday schemes, children's summer camps, support centres, deaf clubs, debt counselling, community transport and asylum care.

Founded by students in 1833, the SVP today runs an active programme of youth development in parishes, schools and universities. Direct support and financial assistance is also provided to people in need overseas through its international network of volunteers and the SVP Disaster and Relief Fund.

BECOME A FRIEND AND SUPPORTER

If you feel you would like to help with this essential work but your family and work commitments or the circumstances of life just do not make it possible for you to give of your time - you can still become involved!

By becoming a Friend of the St Vincent de Paul Society, you can help ensure that some of the most excluded are given the chance to have a better life, whilst contributing positively to the future of this work.



"I would urge you to become a friend of the SVP. We cannot all give our time to the SVP's vital work. But we can make it possible for others to do so. By enabling its 12,000 volunteers to express their faith through practical assistance to the vulnerable and needy, you will be a vital link in the SVP's chain of compassion."

Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor, Archbishop of Westminster



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

As a Friend of the SVP, you will also benefit from:

- Regular Friends newsletters
- Invitations to local SVP Festival Meetings
- Information about latest SVP developments
- Joining us at some of our local and national events
- Access to mail order for SVP Christmas Cards, books and other spiritual literature
- A Mass will be offered for you/your family each year on the 27th September, the feast day of our patron St Vincent de Paul

HOW TO JOIN THE FRIENDS

- Please complete the Membership Application Form.
- Completing the Direct Debit form will simplify matters for you and save us administrative costs.
- Please consider signing the Gift Aid Declaration, but only if you are a UK taxpayer.
- Send your completed form to the address below.

For further information please contact:

St Vincent de Paul Society (England & Wales)
5th Floor, 291-299 Borough High Street, London SE1 1JG
Tel. 020 7407-4644 Fax. 020 7407-4634
Email giving@svp.org.uk www.svp.org.uk

Registered Charity 1053992

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Please complete this form with ballpoint pen and return it to the SVP National Office address on the opposite page.

I wish to become a Friend of the SVP: (Please tick appropriate box)

Friend - £24 (suggested annual minimum contribution)*

Unwaged Friend - £18 (suggested annual minimum contribution)*

*Contributions are a guide so you can of course give more if you wish.

Donation

I would like to make a donation of £

Your details:

Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss)

Address

Post Code

Tel (incl. code)

E-mail

Method of payment

Please deduct £ from my bank account now by Direct Debit, and monthly/annually thereafter (delete as appropriate). See over

I enclose my cheque for £ ('St Vincent de Paul Society')

I'd like to pay by credit card and have filled in the form below.

Card Details

Please debit my Visa / Mastercard / Switch / Maestro / Delta

Total Amount to be debited £

Card No.

Valid From Expiry Date Issue No.

Signature Date

Gift Aid Declaration

I am a UK taxpayer and want the St Vincent de Paul Society to reclaim the tax on all donations I have made since April 2000 and thereafter. I confirm I pay an amount of income or capital gains tax equal or greater to the tax that the St Vincent de Paul Society will reclaim on my donations in the tax year. I agree to notify you of any change in my circumstances.

Signature Date

Information on this application form does not form part of the Direct Debit Instruction.

INSTRUCTION TO YOUR BANK OR BUILDING SOCIETY TO PAY BY DIRECT DEBIT

Please return this completed instruction to:
SVP, 5th Floor, 291-299 Borough High St, London SE1 1JG.



Originator's Identification Number (SUN)

Name(s) and address of account holder(s)

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr

Address

Postcode

Bank/Building Society account number

Branch Sort Code

Name and full postal address of your Bank or Building Society

To the Manager
(Bank/Building Society)

Address

Postcode

CAF Reference Number -

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society

Please pay to the St Vincent de Paul Society Direct Debits from the account detailed in this instruction subject to safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with the St Vincent de Paul Society and, if so, details will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.

Signature Date

Banks and Building Societies might not accept Direct Debits for some types of accounts.

Please consider signing the Gift Aid Declaration overleaf. This will maximise your contribution at no cost to yourself.

Data protection

- Please tick here if you do not want to receive our regular newsletter. In this case, we will simply send you an annual report and letter of thanks.
- We would like to send you information about our fundraising activities and SVP upcoming events and activities. Tick here if you do not want to receive any information other than relating to your subscription.
- We might use mailing exchanges with similar charities in order to raise funds. If you do not want to receive information from other like minded organisations tick here.

THE DIFFERENCE YOU CAN MAKE

The money we receive from you will help us to maintain our current programmes and to ensure that our vital work continues. Most of your subscription will go towards the cost of our services for disadvantaged and marginalised people, supporting visiting and befriending those in need locally and overseas.

Your regular donation under the Gift Aid scheme is the best way to help us as it:

- **Helps us to plan more effectively for the future**
- **Reduces administration costs**
- **Allows us to claim back 28p for every pound you donate if you are a UK tax payer. This increases the value of your donation by almost a third!**

OTHER WAYS TO HELP

We need your financial and personal support to help build a better future for people in need and create lasting solutions to tackle poverty. Please help us break the cycle of poverty and exclusion by supporting the St Vincent de Paul Society in any way you can.

If you would like to know more about volunteering opportunities, becoming a member, leaving a legacy or other ways to support us, please telephone the Fundraising Department on 020 7407 4644.

This Guarantee should be detached and kept by the Payer

The Direct Debit Guarantee



- This Guarantee is offered by all Banks and Building Societies that take part in the Direct Debit Scheme. The efficiency and security of the Scheme is monitored and protected by your own Bank or Building Society.
- If the amounts to be paid or the payment dates change, CAF re St Vincent De Paul Society will notify you at least ten working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed.
- If an error is made by CAF re St Vincent De Paul Society or your Bank or Building Society, you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund from your branch of the amount paid.
- You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by writing to your Bank or Building Society. Please also send a copy of your letter to CAF, Fundraising Support, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4TA.

**YOU'D LIKE TO HELP...
BUT YOU CAN'T SPARE THE TIME
THE SOLUTION...
BECOME A FRIEND!**



**How to become a Friend
of the St Vincent de Paul Society
(England & Wales)**