



**St Vincent de Paul Society
(England & Wales)**

SVP VISION, MISSION & VALUES

Vision:

Our Vision, which is inspired by Christ's message to love our neighbour as ourselves, is for individuals and families who are in any form of need to have hope, together with a sense of dignity, worth, well-being and peace of mind.

Mission:

Our Mission is to seek and find those in need, to help them in a spirit of justice and to tackle the causes of poverty where we can.

We do this -

As members - in our active membership of local groups, through which we befriend and offer support, within our means, to any person in need.

As staff - through working in or supporting projects indirectly that provide services to those in need and supporting the members in their work.

As a Society - by working together to provide a national, and international, network of support; by providing a range of projects which address particular needs for those who are economically disadvantaged-by working together with other Vincentian groups to raise awareness of the level of need and the causes of poverty.

Vincentian Values:

- **Christ Centred** - Staff recognizes that The St Vincent de Paul Society acknowledges the presence of Christ everywhere
- **Compassionate** - We aim to show a compassion that is non-judgmental towards those with whom we work.
- **Respectful** - We respect the dignity of all in the knowledge that we are all equal
- **Generous** - We aim to be generous with our time, our possessions and ourselves in the service of others.
- **Responsive** - We aim to be alert to the ever changing needs in the communities in which we work and to respond accordingly in order to alleviate poverty in all its forms as well as we can.
- **Accountable** - We recognize our accountability to those we seek to help; whilst acting within the limits of our own knowledge and skills
- **Confidential** - We respect the confidentiality of those we help, whilst recognizing that the physical and mental wellbeing of any vulnerable party must always be paramount.

The St Vincent de Paul Society strives to achieve these values through the intercession of the Holy Spirit, through prayer, friendship, mutual support and encouragement.