

#FOODEMERGENCY Give us a hand. Immediately! Support with a donation 430 Food Banks in Europe

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In Europe, in the last 3 months the Covid-19 crisis has brought not only grief and suffering but also a new food emergency. The demand for food has increased by up to 50% compared to the pre-coronavirus period. The outlook for the coming months is certainly not better. In 2018, Eurostat estimated 36 million European citizens in material deprivation, but now millions more people are in need and for the first time they are asking for help to put something to eat at the table.

"The 430 Food Banks operating in Europe have done everything possible, despite a thousand difficulties, to continue the distribution of food to the charities that every day meet the need of fathers, mothers, elderly and young people. At the same time many people have helped us: citizens, businesses and public administrations. Unfortunately, the river of poverty continues to swell, and the risk of overflowing is high. For this reason, we have gratefully accepted the proposal of the Blues4people band and the Original Blues Brothers Band to make a video with them. The song and the images don't want to make us forget what's happening. On the contrary, they send one clear message: it's possible to work and struggle even in difficult situations (see the example of doctors and nurses) but all our work is not enough. We need more and more people to give us a hand, immediately. Making a donation is not the reward for our effort but the support for those who can trust in your commitment to solidarity. We cannot do it alone." says Jacques Vandenschrik, President of the European Food Banks Federation.

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To help the European Food Banks Federation and its 430 Food Banks that in 2019 distributed 768,000 tons of food to 45,283 charities helping 9.5 million deprived people in Europe.

We ask you

to spread the video on social channels and make a donation, even a small one.

Link to the video: https://youtu.be/J2JJT1llsoo

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