

# **Solidaritech Christmas Appeal**

Donate your spare laptops, computers, phones and tablets to us, and we'll refurbish them and provide them to digitally excluded people.



### **About Solidaritech:**

Solidaritech is a Community Interest Company that helps Refugees and Asylum Seekers get access to technology. We work with businesses and individuals to help them donate tech – whether it be laptops, desktops, tablets or smartphones. We then wipe the machines, repair any problems and allocate these out to migrants to enable them to pursue their studies, start businesses or convert their existing qualifications to UK standards.

Over the last year we've helped work with partners to ensure that over a thousand refurbished devices have gone to digitally excluded people in Yorkshire and Humber fleeing conflicts in places like Ukraine, Afghanistan, Iran and Sudan. We've helped kids do their homework and adults to find jobs and start businesses. We've managed to do all of this with donated and refurbished devices, and we need your help to do more.





## **Solidaritech's Christmas Appeal:**

The Solidaritech Christmas Appeal invites individuals and organisations to donate their used and surplus devices to help migrants in the UK establish a digital footing in society.

At Solidaritech we professionally repair, then re-home, laptops, phones, PCs and tablets. We also guarantee that all unusable devices and parts are 100% recycled by a reputable, IT recycling specialist, <u>Ucan Recycling</u>.

So look in your cupboard, loft or basement and please donate your unloved tech. We've made it as simple as possible to drop off your tech, or set up a group Collection Hub. And, for your peace of mind, we guarantee that all devices are treated anonymously and all data is professionally erased, and our corporate clients even receive a Certificate of Data Destruction.

We've called it our Christmas Appeal but we'd love to receive the tech you have replaced over the last few years, or even in the last few weeks. If you replaced devices with a Black Friday bargain, a present or something from the January Sales, please donate your old tech rather than leave it on the shelf.

The Appeal will run to 31st January 2023 – so the technology you replace at Christmas or in the January Sales will also help our donation drive. When you donate, your tech will help us offer hope to refugees in the UK and digitally empower them so they can connect to our society.

One last thing, Solidaritech is more about people than technology. We answer the phone when you call and we are here to ensure your donation, or the setting up of your own Collection Hub, goes as smoothly as possible. So whether you want to just drop us your old laptop, or you want your work to donate your old office computers the next time you get new ones, there's a way we can do it.



# **Organisations Wanting to Help:**

Registering your company, organisation, team, school, church or community group with us as a Friend of Solidaritech means you can make large scale and regular donations, which help us to help more people.

When you register we'll guide you through the process of setting up your own Collection Hub and we'll also create your own unique Hub web-page on our website, which will keep track of your donations without you needing to keep any paperwork. We'll also provide you with help and support for making sure the machines are clean of any data, before they're professionally wiped by our technicians.

All you need is a secure place to store the tech you are donating and we will collect. We'll also celebrate your donations in our Social Media posts, and make sure you have everything you need for your own communications too.



Sign up your company, organisation, team, school, church or community group today, by scanning the QR Code, visiting our website or using the short link <a href="https://bit.ly/solfriends">bit.ly/solfriends</a>.



## **People Wanting to Help:**

If you would like to make a personal donation of your spare or redundant tech devices, please sign up to be a Solidaritech Supporter and we'll guide you through the process. When signing up we'll ask you whether you want to be publicly thanked, and if you are able to donate multiple devices and invite donations from friends or colleagues, you can register as a Group donor in the future.

For your peace of mind, remember, all devices are treated anonymously and all data is professionally erased. To help make things as easy as possible for you, we'll help you erase your own data by factory resetting your machine.



Sign up as a Solidaritech Supporter, and help digitally excluded people today by scanning the QR Code, visiting our website or using the short link <u>bit.ly/solport</u>.

### No tech but still want to help?

Your financial donations can help us to purchase parts to help fix broken machines, or just ones without batteries or chargers. Sometimes machines need a little extra spent on them to make sure they're workable for a person's specific needs, for example a USB webcam or a wifi dongle. You can donate money to help.

#### **PPP Fund**

Help us to cover those little 'bits' that make things easier. With our 'PPP (Postage, Peripherals and Parts)

Fund' you can help us cover the cost of components needed to fix and/or improve broken machines, or the postage to help us get things to people.

#### **Buy Parts to Fix Machines**

Many of the machines we get need to be refurbished and updated to avoid obsolescence. We list the machines which need parts on <u>our website</u>, so you can gift someone a battery, screen, a charger or some memory, helping them get back online.





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