



Dublin
Simon
Community



SIMON SCOOP

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50th Anniversary Commemoration

Serving Dublin, Kildare, Wicklow, Meath, Louth, Cavan, and Monaghan.

THE SIMON SHOPS



The Simon Shop began as a second hand clothes shop in January 1973. The first location was a dark and draughty premises opposite the Academy cinema on Pearse Street, but the team soon realised the need for a more central location.

Between 1973 and June 1977 Simon managed to obtain rent-free premises, on caretaker agreements, in a variety of locations including Stephen's Green, Harcourt Street and Lower Baggot Street.

By the end of 1977, the Simon executive committee decided to rent a premises on Camden Street, eventually purchasing it in 1986. A second shop was later opened in the early 1990's at the emergency shelter on Ushers Island, before being relocated to Thomas Street.

Today, our Simon Shops and warehouse at Chapelizod raise much needed funds for our services and provide a working environment for our clients to receive training as a potential pathway out of homelessness and into employment.

SIMON SHOP ADS

HELP! Link, Internal Newsletter March/April, 1981

Dublin Simon is broke stony broke. No messing. We're on the rocks. We need thousands. We also need people to gather in the thousands. If you have ideas, please contact us. One idea WE have is that our Simon Shop can sell your surplus paperbacks and any other bits and pieces like jewellery or whatever. Please THINK about what you can do.

WANTED

THE SIMON SHOP AT 57 LR CAMDEN STREET URGENTLY NEEDS GOOD QUALITY CLOTHES, TOYS, BOOKS, BRIC-A-BRAC AND SMALL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.

PLEASE ORGANISE A COLLECTION AMONG YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND WORK COLLEAGUES - AND ON YOUR CO-WORKING NIGHT.

DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT INTO THE SHOP

OPEN: MON-FRI 10am-5pm
SATURDAY 10am-3pm

THANK YOU Link, Internal Newsletter June, 1992



"The team see the shop as a public relations effort for Dublin Simon. They have literature available about the Community and are able to advise people who enquire about the various forms of co-worker activities.

"The staff in Camden Street see themselves as very much part of Dublin Simon. They are familiar with the philosophy of the Community and are in sympathy with its objectives. The work they do as volunteers is their contribution towards rectifying the plight of the homeless in Dublin.*"

Ursula, Simon Volunteer writing in the 1980's

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*Extract from 'It's Simon - The Story of the Dublin Simon Community' by Ursula Coleman.