

MEDIA RELEASE

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SHARE THE WARMTH CAMPAIGN BEGINS

With winter official on our doorstep, many individuals and families in our community will face further challenges in accessing necessities, including food.

Recognising the pressing need, United Way Glenelg is calling on everyone in the community to join together and make a difference.

The goal of the Share the Warmth campaign is to collect as many tin food donations as possible for the Little FREE Pantries.

Nicole Carr Executive Officer at United Way Glenelg said that together we can make a significant impact. The *Share the Warmth* campaign provides an opportunity for each and every member of our community to contribute and bring comfort to those in need,"

"This campaign is aimed at everyone in the community who has the capacity to donate tin food. United Way Glenelg hopes to reach out to individuals, families, businesses, schools, and community organisations," she said.

"Residents can contribute to the cause effortlessly by incorporating a simple act into your shopping routine: purchase a tin of soup, baked beans, or spaghetti, and place it directly into the pantry. Better yet, rally your work colleagues, school, team mates, neighbours, or social group to establish a collection point where donations can be gathered until it reaches capacity, and we will collect it for you!"

"Donating tin food is an easy and effective way to make a difference in the lives of others. Every donation, no matter how small, makes a big impact in someone's life. Together, we can make a significant impact through small acts of kindness."

Suggested foods for donation include canned soups and stews, canned meats (such as tuna, chicken, corn beef, and spam), canned beans (including baked beans), and canned pasta (like spaghetti).

Little FREE Pantries are located;

Bundarra Primary School – Edgar Street Portland Casterton Primary School - McPherson Street Casterton Dartmoor Primary School - 76 Greenham Street Dartmoor Dhauwurd-Wurrung Elderly and Community Health Service - 18 Wellington Road Portland Elsa MacLeod Kindergarten – Henty Street Portland Heywood Consolidated Primary School – Kentbruck Road Heywood Heywood & District Secondary College - 23 Gorrie Street Heywood Kalbarri Kindergarten - Mitchell Crescent Portland Portland Primary School – Palmer Street Portland Portland South Primary School – Moorhouse Street Portland Portland Child and Family Complex - Julia Street Portland

If you would like to register your work, school, group or club for collection please contact Ms Carr on 0410513305 or mail@unitedwayglenelg.com.au

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