



We are most grateful for the thoughtfulness and generosity of our local community, and even more so at Christmas. The community spirit of giving on Christmas Eve continues to make a difference to the lives of many impacted by trauma, poverty and adversity.

To everyone who participated in this year's Christmas Hampers, please accept our heartfelt thanks, from all at Micah Projects.

Karyn, CEO Micah Projects

## **Christmas 2016:**

- Gifts for all families working with Micah Projects teams including Families Team, Brisbane Domestic Violence Service, Home For Good, Partners in Recovery, Street to Home and tenants of Brisbane Common Ground.
- 20 families, including 25 adults and 46 children, attended the Families Christmas Party at the Yeronga Pool. Sincere thanks to Adopt a Backpack who donated 139 children's Christmas presents and to all our generous supporters for making the party a great success.
- 25 women and 45 children attended the Brisbane Domestic Violence Service Christmas Party. Gifts for all attendees were generously donated.
- In addition, Lotus Place held seven Christmas events in Brisbane, Gold Coast, Townsville, Mackay, Cairns and Rockhampton attended by a total of 212 people. Gift vouchers were provided in lieu of hampers for 6 families and 2 couples in regional areas.

## Hamper breakdown:

- 113 families received large food hampers
- 97 families received large fresh fruit hampers
- 77 individuals and couples received food hampers
- 152 individuals received Christmas food gift packs
- 82 individuals and couples received fresh fruit hampers
- Total of 521 hampers each large hamper had enough groceries to last a family one week
- In addition to this, 146 individuals at Brisbane Common Ground received giftpacks
- 159 volunteer drivers distributed gifts to the Brisbane metropolitan area and beyond, delivering as far away as Caboolture and the Gold Coast
- 285 volunteers participated on 23 and 24 Dec
- Total of \$13 359 was raised by the community to purchase hampers and provide emergency housing so that no child or family are on the street or in cars over Christmas.

## Cash Donations received \$13 359

Businesses/Organisations - Financial and In-Kind Donors:

- Adopt a Backpack
- · Annerley Branch ALP
- Avid Reader
- · Brisbane Christian Church
- Brisbane City Council
- Centacare
- Centrelink
- CRH Law
- · Compass Housing
- Conrad Gargett
- · Department of Communities
- · Department of Education and Training
- Department of Human Services
- Deputy Premier Jackie Trad
- Embellysh Photography
- English Family Foundation
- Fallon Solutions
- Givit
- · Grill'd West End
- · Healthworks West End
- Jamberry Nails
- Just 4 Us
- Konica Minolta
- · Kurilpa Community Childcare Centre
- Lady Gowrie Childcare Centre
- Mamre
- Mater Foundation
- Mater Health
- Mater Misericordiae
- McGrath Ascot
- Mount Alverni College
- MPN Lawyers
- Mt Maria College
- · Nursery Road Special School
- QCOSS
- QUOTA Brisbane South
- RACQ
- RiverCity Ballroom
- · Rock Community Care
- School Stuff
- · Senator Claire Moore
- · Share the Dignity
- Sisters of Mercy Brisbane
- St Vincent's Private Hospital Brisbane
- St. Mary's in Exile community
- TAFE Brisbane QLD
- The Framer
- Tynan Partners
- Ursuline Community
- Wesley Hospital
- Yeronga Swimming Pool
- · Zonta Club of Brisbane South

and thank you to the many families and individual donors.