VINNIES 2024 WINTER APPEAL



Financial donations allow us the flexibility to direct funds where they are most needed. It also gives those we assist the sense of dignity and joy of choosing their own items, which many of us may take for granted. You can nominate a financial gift toward your local area or a particular Vinnies service if you wish.

To donate financially, you can either;

1) Create your own personalised online school fundraising page at: https://fundraise.vinniesnsw. org.au/fundraise-your-way

or

2) Raise funds (offline), and then donate at our website: https://donate.vinnies.org.au/donation-hub

If you would like your donation to go to your local Conference or Service, please be sure to include the name of the Conference or Service when donating through the online portals.

3) Via direct deposit to:

Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank Account Name: St Vincent de Paul Society

Appeals Account

Account Number: 10057471

BSB Number: 062 193

Branch: LEICHHARDT NSW

(This account receives all donations made through the online hub)

Remittance advice should be provided for all donations, please email: **remittances@vinnies.org.au** and copy your Schools and Youth Engagement Officer.

SHARE YOUR EFFORTS!



Share your pictures and stories by tagging us on Instagram: @VinniesYouthNSW and Facebook: @NSWVinniesYouth

SCHOOL SLEEPOUTS

Running a school sleepout is an interactive way to experience the impacts associated with homelessness in a safe environment, as well as to raise funds and prompt action in your school community.

Schools can run sleepouts in a variety of ways. You choose which grades participate and whether the sleepout will be at school or 'at home'. Vinnies Staff can support with activities, reflections and resources for the night, or you can create your own.

School Sleepouts must be registered with Vinnies.

To register your School Sleepout, please visit: https://fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/create-yourown-vinnies-school-sleepout

MATERIAL DONATIONS

During winter especially, material donations such as food, warm clothing and blankets are needed.

To give material donations, please get in touch with your local Vinnies Conference or your staff contact to find out the specific needs in your local area and to arrange delivery. (**Contact details can be found here**.) Some areas, like those affected by natural disasters, may not be able to accept physical donations right now, so it's best to check first.

A few things to keep in mind:

- To uphold the dignity of those receiving goods, please ensure that all food items are not due to expire for at least the next 6 months. All items must be non-perishable and undamaged.
- Similarly, please ensure blankets and warm clothes are in new and clean condition.
- Look out for packaged food with a Health Star Rating of 3.5 or above. The more stars, the better!

THANK YOU FOR PARTNERING WITH US TO CHANGE LIVES!