



MEDIA RELEASE - Friday 24 September 2010

\$5000 to be donated to the Salvo's Regional Victoria Emergency Services on Monday 27 September as Kleenheat Gas supports the Salvation Army.

Kleenheat Gas will continue its ongoing partnership to support the Salvation Army, when the company presents a \$5,000 donation to The Salvation Army's Regional Victoria Emergency Services on Monday 27 September.

Due to recent floods in regional Victoria there is a high need for assistance. The conditions have resulted in a large increase in locals visiting the centre in need of bedding, blankets, airbeds, supplies and some cases emergency accommodation.

On top of this, the centre also provided bedding and essentials to surrounding Salvo centre's in Wangaratta, Benalla, Euroa, Myrtleford, Creswick and Charlton during the initial emergency flood phase to ensure that many in need were assisted.

The donation from Kleenheat will be used to re-stock the now depleted centre with emergency essentials such as bedding, blankets, airbeds and toiletries to ensure that should disaster strike again that they are more than well prepared.

With many in the community grateful for all the help they have received, The Salvation Army's Major Graeme Rigley thanked Kleenheat for the donation.

"The value of resources supplied is in the many of thousands of dollars and it is essential that these supplies are replenished before the start of the bushfire season in the next few months."

"This donation from Kleenheat will be of great assistance in helping to replace these resources. We thank them sincerely."

Kleenheat Gas Vic Sales Manager Dean Bentley said the Salvos emergency centre played a huge role in helping those in need in regional Victoria.

Dean said: "The centre has been fantastic help to so many in the region; we know the cheque will go a long way in helping stock up much needed essentials, we never know when hard times will hit, so it important to be prepared."

One year ago Kleenheat joined forces with The Salvation Army, and each month assists a community in need. The Regional Care Services program was established in 2009 with the purpose of supporting a different community in regional Australia each month by providing operational funding and donations.

In September 2009 Kleenheat Gas launched the concept with volunteers from Kleenheat Gas assisting with the construction of permaculture gardens in the Kinglake Village, which houses approximately 50 residents whose homes were destroyed in the February 2009 bushfires.

The donation handover to the Salvation Army will take place on Monday September 27 September at The Salvation Army Emergency Services in Eltham.

Regional Victoria Cheque Presentation Details:

Monday 27th of September, 10am at the TSA Emergency Services State Depot & Factory.

Lower Factory 5, 266 Bolton Street, EITHAM, VIC. 3095.

Accepting the cheque for the Salvation Army on the day will be Major Graeme Rigley (Chairman of State Council & Divisional Commander, Melbourne Central Division) and Envoy Warwick Wilson (Victorian State Director, Salvation Army Emergency Services).

MEDIA ARE INVITED TO ATTEND FOR FOOTAGE, PHOTOGRAPHIC & INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITIES.

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