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Kleenheat Gas supports the Flood Relief efforts with a \$5000 donation to The Salvation Army in Toowoomba.

Kleenheat Gas will continue its ongoing monthly partnership to support The Salvation Army, when the company presents \$5000 to the Toowoomba Salvation Army this Thursday 24 February.

As the clean up continues from the devastating flash floods and storms that swept across Queensland last month, the Toowoomba Centre's resources have hit an all-time low as they continue to help the local community and surrounding farm districts.

Kleenheat's \$5000 donation to the centre will be used towards assisting local farmers in the area – many of the local cotton and dairy farmers have lost their stocks and crops, livelihoods, and even homes.

The Salvation Army's spokesperson Captain Mark Barlow said Kleenheat's donation was timely and would make a positive contribution to the support they are offering locals in this trying time.

"We have visited 33 farms in the area since the floods, and have already provided \$90,000 in assistance. We still have at least ten more to visit, and with every day and each visit our list grows."

The Toowoomba Salvation army are visiting and assisting areas such as Millmerren, Cessil Planes, Leyburn, and Condomine, providing financial assistance and basic necessities.

Captain Barlow says the donation from Kleenheat will assist the local communities but there was still a long road ahead.

"Many of these local farmers and communities that have been hit very hard and it will take quite a time to rebuild. We're still in the process of assessing damage and helping in any way we can – for example we've assisted with childcare in Condomine."

Kleenheat Gas Spokesperson Lachlan Duff said he hoped the donation would make a difference to assist the hard work of the Salvos in their Flood Relief efforts.

Mr Duff said: "The Salvos are doing such a great job in helping to rebuild these local communities and people's lives. Not only with the assistance they are providing, but their presence there on the ground is invaluable - by visiting and morally supporting those 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.

Since the program's launch, Kleenheat has donated over \$85,000 in cash and equipment including computers and whitegoods to various regional Salvation Army centres across Australia. Last month a donation was made to the Rockhampton Salvation Army to assist in their Flood Relief efforts.

The donation handover to the Salvation Army will take place:
Thursday 24 February, 1pm
At Salvation Army Toowoomba, cnr West & Anzac Ave Toowoomba

Accepting the donation for The Salvation Army on the day will be Captain Mark Barlow.

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

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