



**Give joy  
& hope**  
to Queenslanders in  
need this Christmas



## What is the Red Bag Appeal?

For most of us, Christmas is a wonderful time of year; a chance to celebrate, relax and enjoy time with our loved ones over a good meal as we pass around gifts and treats. However, for the one in eight adults, and more than one in six children, that are living in poverty\* it can be a very different story.

After paying for rent and utilities, splashing out on a Christmas meal

and treats for the kids is not an option for some Queenslanders. And that's why the annual Red Bag Christmas Appeal was created.

This year, with your help, we hope to give 5,000 Red Bags to Queensland families in real need. Each Red Bag will change lives – sometimes in big and unexpected ways.

\*[https://www.acoss.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/ACOSS\\_Poverty-in-Australia-Report\\_Web-Final.pdf](https://www.acoss.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/ACOSS_Poverty-in-Australia-Report_Web-Final.pdf)



### Suzanna's story

What started out as a Red Bag turned into so much more for Suzanna and her young son, Dawson. After falling on hard times, Suzanna reached out to ER for some help at Christmas and went on to receive case support to help get her life back on track.

*“Places like the Emergency Relief are so incredibly important. I didn't ever think I would end up needing a place like this, but all the things that have happened to me in my life, that have led me here, have really opened my eyes. When I hit the bottom, I felt like a nobody. This place reminded me that I'm a somebody. I just needed some help. And it's okay to ask for help. That's what I want people to know. There's no judgement, everyone is treated equally here. We're all human beings, and sometimes we need to lean on each other.”*

*“That first day when I came in, it wasn't just a hamper they gave me – it was livelihood. And then it became hope and confidence. Now I feel like things really do have a chance to get better for me and Dawson.”*

## Here's how you can get involved



Host the Red Bag Appeal in your workplace, school or community group



Set up a 500Food fundraising page and raise \$500 for 10 families to receive a Red Bag



Purchase your tickets to attend the Red Gala



Have your workplace team volunteer for Red Bag corporate repacking



Volunteer at the Westfield Chermside Red Bag Christmas wrapping stall



Sign up as a regular supporter to provide an ongoing contribution to Emergency Relief

**Visit [redbagappeal.org.au](http://redbagappeal.org.au) to register today.**

## Services that Brisbane Relief Hub provide



140  
community  
meals a week



500  
packed lunches  
a week



750  
client visits a  
week



1500  
client visits  
Christmas week

**Pick up from 15 October  
Drop off by 29 November**

## **National Storage pick up and drop off locations:**

### **Capalaba**

Moreton Bay Road  
Capalaba QLD 4157  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, 9:00am - 2:00pm

### **Fortitude Valley**

114 Montpelier Road  
Bowen Hills QLD 4006  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, 9:00am - 2:00pm

### **Kedron**

453 Webster Road  
Stafford Heights QLD 4053  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, 9:00am - 2:00pm

### **Milton**

4 Dorsey Street  
Milton QLD 4064  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, 9:00am - 4:00pm

### **Mt Gravatt**

583 Kessels Road  
Macgregor QLD 4109  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, 9:00am - 2:00pm

### **Oxley**

18 Jutland Street  
Oxley QLD 4075  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, 9:00am - 2:00pm

### **Rothwell**

221 Morris Rd  
Rothwell QLD 4022  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, 9:00am - 4:00pm

### **Yatala**

2 Link Drive  
Yatala QLD 4207  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Saturday, 9:00am - 2:00pm

### **Drop off only**

One One One  
111 Eagle Street  
Brisbane QLD 4000  
Monday to Friday,  
8:00am - 5:00pm

## **Thanks to our Red Bag Appeal sponsors**

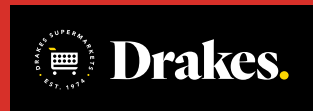
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