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POLICE CREDIT UNION LENDS SUPPORT TO QUEENSLAND FLOOD VICTIMS

Following the devastation and heartache left in the wake of the Queensland floods, Police Credit Union's Casuarina branch didn't think twice about doing something to help, with staff donating to the relief effort by developing personal care packs.

Police Credit Union Casuarina Branch Manager, Karen Vejera, said that Federal Member for Solomon Natasha Griggs' call for personal care products to be sent to Queensland flood victims inspired the local Police Credit Union team to do just that.

"Our hearts go out to those who've had their lives displaced by the Queensland floods and we wanted to lend support to victims, in any way we can," Ms Vejera said.

"Police Credit Union's Casuarina branch has put together personal care packs for those Queenslanders currently housing in emergency shelters to give back everyday essentials lost in the floods, including toothpaste, a toothbrush, face washer, tissues and soap."

"If everyone offers a small helping hand during this time of need, we'd like to think it would be a big help to Queensland flood victims, but also demonstrate our fighting Aussie spirit."

In addition to providing personal care packs for Queensland flood victims, all Police Credit Union branches are collection points for the QLD Flood Victims Toy Appeal, gathering toys for kids who've lost everything.

"Our staff have kicked off the drive by donating toys personally, with the Casuarina branch remaining a collection point up until Thursday 20 January when the toys will be sent directly to those affected," Ms Vejera said.

"We're encouraging fellow Territorians to bring in to the Casuarina branch any good condition board games, dolls, fiction and colouring-in books, outdoor activities and building blocks they can depart with."

"Police Credit Union has a very strong community culture, and it seemed only natural to lend a helping hand to Queensland victims during this time."

For more information on the QLD Flood Victims Toy Appeal or how to donate the Premier's Flood Relief Appeal, visit www.policecu.com.au/site/community/community-qld-floods.htm

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