

# St Vincent de Paul 2020 Christmas Appeal

## Please support our Christmas Appeal.

Help us support those **IMPACTED BY COVID-19**.



You can provide food and financial assistance to the millions of Australians who will spend Christmas in poverty.

**DONATE NOW**

Please call 13 18 12 or visit [vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au)



The impact of the COVID-19 crisis and the restrictions required to combat it are far-reaching. Not only have the people who usually rely on our assistance been disproportionately affected, but there will be many more thousands who have lost their jobs and finding themselves suffering from financial strain and struggling to keep a roof over their head or even food on the table.

As you know, being in the community to assist people experiencing poverty and disadvantage is more important now than ever.

Your support of the COVID-19 Christmas Appeal means we can continue to provide:

- Food and groceries in tough times to families in need, reducing hunger and removing a major stress for families.
- A safe place for individuals and families to rest and sleep when they have nowhere else to go.
- Clothing and essentials such as blankets, clothing and toiletries to maintain dignity during

times of need.

With over two million people living below the poverty line in Australia, including over half a million children, your donation allows the St Vincent de Paul Society to provide more than immediate help, it provides something much more valuable – the opportunity of a better life.

A [financial donation](#) will play a crucial role in our ability to help 1.3 million people each year.

Donations can be made by:

- **Giving to the special collection at masses at St Patrick's church over the weekend of 19th and 20th December**
- Going on-line at [vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au)
- Calling 13 18 12
- Dropping off a donation at the parish office
- Making a cash donation into the poor boxes located at each of our churches

Note: You can nominate a specific conference (Mentone or Parkdale East) by naming the conference over the phone or by entering the conference name in the "comments field" when donating on-line.

**Thank you for your kind heart.**