

TASSIE MUMS

NEWSLETTER JULY 2024

Coats for Kids

Coats for Kids has had an incredible community response and we are thrilled to announce that we have successfully reached our target of **1,000 coats!**

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COATS FOR KIDS

Help us collect
1000 coats
for Tasmanian children
in need this Winter

1-31 May

♥ www.tassiemums.org ♥

We would like to thank all the individuals, schools and businesses that organised collections, with special thanks to **Coles, Fall Real Estate** and **Jackson Motor Company** for hosting collections for us during May.



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-Caseworker request, May 2024



With your generous donations of coats and warm winter clothing in **April and May** Tassie Mums supported **436 children**.



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National Volunteer Week

During May we enjoyed celebrating National Volunteer Week and sharing profiles on our social media platforms of a selection of our dedicated volunteers. In case you missed it here are a few.

Introducing Mel, she has a huge heart and can pack an incredibly coordinated clothing pack.

"Nearing retirement from teaching, I knew I wanted to continue doing something to help children. I had heard great things about Tassie Mums and as I completed the training and learned more about what they do, I was hooked. Volunteering always engaging, busy and the people are always friendly and helpful. I particularly enjoy preparing the boxes for individual children – selecting clothing that children will enjoy wearing, selecting books carefully for the appropriate age group and finding just the 'right' soft toy for that child to love. Imagine how these children must feel upon receiving these 'gifts' (actually necessities) when they have been going through difficult times! It is so special and a privilege to be involved in an organisation helping beautiful Tasmanian children in need"



This is Deb, a super clever all rounder and talented maker.

"Three years ago my daughter tagged me in a Tassie Mums Facebook post. Tassie Mums were looking for more volunteer, I had just retired and my daughter knew how much I loved washing and folding! I now volunteer two shifts per week and the work I do is varied and always interesting. I love the people I volunteer with – we share lots of laughs and they are all so generous, caring and passionate about Tassie Mums cause and philosophy."

April Snapshot



PROVIDED **210** TASMANIAN **BABIES + CHILDREN** WITH ESSENTIAL ITEMS INCLUDING CLOTHING PACKS, SHOES, COATS AND UNDERWEAR.



8 PRAMS



5 COTS



646 BUNDLES OF GOODS SUPPLIED



SUPPORTED **37** **PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS** IN **17 COUNCIL AREAS.**

Fundraising for Tassie Mums

We've had some fabulous fundraising events for Tassie Mums recently - a shout out to Launceston City Football Club, Powered Lawn Maintenance, Scribble Mat and Plato's just to name a few.



If you'd like to get involved supporting Tassie kids with everyday essential items please visit www.tassiemums.org/fundraising for inspiration and send us a message. We love to acknowledge your efforts by sharing on our socials for an even greater impact.

Working Together

Tassie Mums was grateful to be able to accept a large number of cot and bassinet sized (tightly) knitted blankets from the ABC's Rug Up Tassie campaign. It is always a pleasure to bundle these blankets into our linen packs knowing they will keep little ones warm.



The 1st June saw Tassie Mums host The Nappy Collective volunteering team's nappy count. It was an efficient morning with over 5,293 nappies being counted and boxed for distribution to community organisations with a quantity also being given to Tassie Mums.



News from our CEO

Our CEO Clair and 2024 Tas Local Hero Australian of the Year, has been busy spreading the word about Tassie Mums. Clair was invited to speak at both Burnie and Kingston Rotary clubs and Stitch & Share Margate and took a group of business students from Fahan on a tour of our HQ. Clair was also interviewed with TripleM's Kaz and Tubes for their Tassie Trailblazer's segment and spoke on Huon & Kingston FM for Local Vocal. Clair enjoyed presenting winning entries at the Kingston Flower Show and attending Hindu New Year celebrations. Clair is about to commence her AOTY tour. You may spot her out and about, be sure to say hello she enjoys answering questions about all aspects of Tassie Mums!

EOFY

As the end of the financial year approaches it is a good time to let everyone know that if you are interested our Annual Information Statement and Financial Reports can be found on the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission www.acnc.gov.au/charity/charities search for Tassie Mums Inc. EOFY is also a great time to make a tax deductible donation to support the vital work we do. Tassie Mums is a entirely free service collaborating with 330 professionals across Tasmania. All donations over \$2 will receive a tax receipt via email. Please visit tassiemums.raisely.com

"Pram and car seat please, mum is experiencing homelessness and living in car while pregnant. Baby expected to be at least a few weeks premature."

-Request for aid from a Tasmanian Hospital May 2024

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