



## MEDIA ALERT

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### **Organisations assisting flood impacted people in Victoria encouraged to register with free donation platform GIVIT**

Charities, services and community groups supporting people impacted by flooding across Victoria are encouraged to register with not-for-profit donation platform [GIVIT](https://www.givit.org.au) to access donations of essential items for the people they support.

GIVIT is a Victorian Government partner managing the donation of essential items and services for flood-affected Victorians. GIVIT works directly with councils, outreach teams, charities and community groups to make sure people get exactly what they need, when they need it.

GIVIT is free, private and easy to use and can provide critical and immediate support to flooded communities.

GIVIT National Manager Jo Beadle said donations include grocery and fuel vouchers as well as furniture, white goods and household essentials.

“If you are a local charity or frontline service in need of donated goods and services, please register at [GIVIT.org.au/need-help/organisations](https://www.givit.org.au/need-help/organisations) to access support,” said Jo.

Charities, services and community groups supporting people impacted by floods can register with GIVIT for free to access thousands of donations offered by generous Australians and corporates.

Members of the public can donate money or essential items to impacted communities through [www.givit.org.au/storms-and-flooding](https://www.givit.org.au/storms-and-flooding) with 100% of publicly donated funds received by GIVIT going to affected communities.

Where possible, GIVIT uses donated funds to purchase items from local providers to support the economic recovery of impacted regions.

Go to [GIVIT.org.au](https://www.givit.org.au) to find out more.

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#### **About GIVIT**

GIVIT is the smart way to give. Through [GIVIT.org.au](https://www.givit.org.au), we channel generosity where it is needed to support vulnerable people and communities in Australia.

Working with more than 4,500 support organisations, we ensure people get what they need when they need it most – whether recovering from an emergency event, or experiencing hardship due to circumstances such as drought, domestic and family violence, homelessness, disability, and mental health.

GIVIT captures all offers of goods and services online, removing the need for charities and services to sort, store and dispose of unrequested donations, saving valuable resources. 100% of publicly donated money received by GIVIT to support people in need are used to purchase essential items and services. We buy locally, wherever possible, to support local businesses and the economic recovery of affected communities. GIVIT’s operational costs are covered by government contracts and corporate partners.

