

Townsville shopping centre Domain Central helping locals with more than \$100,000 in household goods to GIVIT's Floods Appeal

Townsville's Domain Central and its traders are providing more than \$100,000 in urgently needed items such as beds, bedding and fridges to help local residents re-establish their flood-damaged homes.

The major homemaker and outlet shopping centre, its retailers and its owners, Queensland Investment Corporation (QIC), are making the generous donation via GIVIT. Rotary is assisting with warehousing and distribution to get the vital goods out quickly to residents needing clean and dry bedding to sleep comfortably, and fridges to keep their food safe.

Already 68 fridges and washing machines, 55 beds, 175 pillows, 100 sheet sets and 130 towels have been distributed.

Domain Central Centre Manager, Sandy Corbett, said being part of the local recovery effort after the unprecedented flooding was something the centre's team took very seriously.

"Domain Central is a hub for the local community, and we feel it's very important to play our part in providing assistance for those who have been severely impacted by this flooding event," she said.

"We're working closely with our Domain Central retailers to assemble a donation of much needed goods, such as washing machines, beds, bed linen and household electronics."

GIVIT Founder and Director Juliette Wright said the generosity of Domain Central was the "most perfect donation GIVIT could hope for – much needed goods being sourced from local businesses".

Mrs Wright said the Domain Central donation would help support local individuals and families at this crucial time and provide urgently needed items to help in their recovery.

"What Domain and its traders are donating is exactly what's required to help residents get back on their feet and quickly," she said. "It is locals giving to locals, and the 60 stores in Domain Central are giving [exactly what is needed](#) by those in Townsville who have lost everything.

"GIVIT is also incredibly grateful to Rotary who are helping store and distribute the items. Townsville Rotary are a group of wonderful locals helping locals."

GIVIT is working with recovery agencies, and charities on the ground who identify exactly what is required.

To donate or view the items needed in flood-affected areas go to givit.org.au/qldfloods

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If you are a local charity or frontline service wanting to access donated goods and services, please register at givit.org.au/charity-registration.

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About GIVIT

GIVIT is a national online not-for-profit connecting those who need with those willing to give. Through its website givit.org.au, trusted Australian charities are supported as they request essential, quality items on behalf of their clients. GIVIT matches their needs with public and corporate generosity, facilitating quality goods to reach our most vulnerable, impoverished and marginalised individuals in a safe, easy and timely manner. Since establishment in 2009, more than 943,000 items have been donated via GIVIT to assist Australians in need. In 2011 GIVIT established its disaster recovery service following the Queensland floods and managed the donation of more than 18,000 items. Since then GIVIT has become the official partner of the Queensland Government managing offers of assistance after disasters on its behalf and most recently ensured that 14,000 items made their way to people in need after the 2018 Queensland fires. After 2017's Tropical Cyclone Debbie, GIVIT coordinated the donation of 92,000 items. In 2015, GIVIT gained national attention with Founder and CEO Juliette Wright receiving Australia's Local Hero Award by the National Australia Day Council and inducted into the Australian Businesswomen's Network Hall of Fame. In 2019, Mrs Wright was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM). GIVIT also received a National Resilient Australia Award by Australia's Attorney-General for its disaster recovery service and The Australian National Innovation Challenge Award.