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Wynyard Community Christmas Collection

Waratah-Wynyard Council and Wonders of Wynyard are again helping to spread Christmas cheer to those who might otherwise miss out this year.

Waratah-Wynyard Mayor Robby Walsh launched the sixth annual Wynyard Community Christmas Collection at the Wonders of Wynyard on Monday, November 25.

Council, along with Wonders of Wynyard, and with support from St Vincent de Paul, Coast FM, the Rotary Club of Wynyard, Lions Club of Wynyard and the Wynyard Masonic Lodge are accepting donations of non-perishable food items, new clothing and toys to the Wonders of Wynyard. Cash donations are also welcome.

At the launch of the Wynyard Community Christmas Collection, Mayor Walsh reminded guests that while Christmas is a festive occasion it's not always the case for everyone.

"There are many families who do it tough at Christmas," Mayor Walsh said.

"Last year 54 local families were assisted through the Christmas Collection, and we anticipate around the same number this year will need support."

Mayor Walsh encouraged Waratah-Wynyard residents to donate unwrapped gifts, non-perishable food items or cash to the Community Collection. These can be left at the Wonders of Wynyard Giving Tree during business hours.

Shane Guy, St. Vincent de Paul's North West Community Services Manager, said the collection would be distributed within the Waratah-Wynyard municipality to people in need.

Donations to the collection close on Friday, December 20, with grocery hampers and gifts available for collection on Tuesday, December 24 by arrangement with St Vincent de Paul.

Image attached: Waratah-Wynyard Mayor Robby Walsh and Shane Guy, St. Vincent de Paul's North West Community Services Manager, at the launch of Wynyard Community Christmas Collection on Monday, November 25.

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