

Blackpool Coastal Housing

The Communications Workers Humanitarian Aid Charity

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Dear All,

I am writing to convey our sincere thanks for the amazing cash donation towards this year's Christmas presents for families' emergency homeless hostel.

Due to this generous donation we were able to provide the families with an amazing Christmas Party, including a full Christmas Dinner, and the children were able to take part in fun party games. We made Christmas eve boxes, had Christmas pyjamas, hot chocolate and marshmallows and Christmas party. We were also able to provide the children with gifts that they could all unwrap on Christmas Day.

Being able to provide a Christmas Party was a really special event for the families. It made them feel loved and made them feel like people were thinking about them at this particularly hard time. It allowed them to feel the Christmas Spirit and many have said that it made their actual Christmas Day more enjoyable as the parents were less apprehensive about having to spend this time of year in a homeless hostel.

All of the parents were extremely grateful that their children had gifts to open as many had struggled to purchase anything for their children due to their low income, some of who had no income at the time. They felt that this added an extra special touch to the day.

It is a particularly difficult time for the people we support at Christmas, many living in the accommodation after loosing all their possessions for a number of reasons and facing very challenging situations. Your donation was appreciated by all the Emergency Housing Officers as without it we would be unable to make Christmas special for those we support.

We wish you a very Happy New Year and an amazing decade to come. Thank you again from all of us in the Emergency Housing Team.

Please see below a picture of some of the gifts we were able to buy for the children.

Yours sincerely

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