

BASKETS OF JOY – CHRISTMAS 2020

WOW! What a year it has been for all of us! It is hard to believe Christmas is just around the corner. Our usual Baskets of Joy is going to look a bit different this year. Like many other things this year, Baskets of Joy 2020 is going virtual.

Below are some questions and answers that may help you and your workplace make the most of Baskets of Joy, and thank you very much for your support of this great initiative.

How will Baskets of Joy 2020 work?

In light of the various restrictions we are now living with, and to ensure the health and safety of all involved, Baskets of Joy will be offered virtually this year.

We have set up a way for people to make a monetary donation by purchasing 'virtual' basket items. The value of your purchases will be the value of your donation, which will then be used to purchase Baskets of Joy grocery gift cards for families in need.

You can find the virtual shopping list at https://www.greatershepparton.foundation/?page_id=932

Your donation will help us provide families who are struggling at Christmas the chance to purchase their own Christmas staples to make their festive season a little happier.

(Note: the gift cards will be for groceries only. They cannot be used for alcohol or cigarettes.)

Who will receive a grocery gift card?

All Baskets of Joy grocery gift cards will be provided to families identified by FamilyCare who are in need over the Christmas period. This is the same as previous years.

What is the closing date for donations?

All donations need to be received by Monday 7th December. This will ensure we have enough time to purchase the gift cards and distribute to families in need.

How should I promote it to my workplace and friends?

You can email the FAQ sheet and flyer to all of your colleagues as it includes the link to the website where they can make a donation. Alternatively you could take up a collection in your workplace and someone then makes the donation at https://www.greatershepparton.foundation/?page_id=312 You can also share it with your family and friends by sharing the link on your Facebook or Instagram page.

Who can I contact if I have any further questions?

Please contact Belinda Whitelaw, Greater Shepparton City Council on 5832 9790, Katie Huddleston, FamilyCare on 5823 7000 or Cheryl Hammer, Greater Shepparton Foundation on 5832 8223.

