



# Media Release

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## Community spirit shines through for Christmas appeal

The Camden community has united to support the Christmas Gift Giving Tree appeal to help those in need.

This year, 580 gifts will be distributed by Big Yellow Umbrella (aka Camden Community Connections) to people living in the Camden area who are facing financial and personal difficulties.

“These gifts can make a real difference to the lives of people experiencing hardship at Christmas time,” said Mayor Lara Symkowiak.

“The generosity of our community is inspirational and is the true spirit of Christmas,” Cr Symkowiak said.

This month, gifts were donated at six locations in the Camden area including libraries, the Camden Civic Centre and Council’s administration building in Oran Park.

Spring Farm Public School donated a number of gifts as well as Mount Annan Christian College which donated more than 340 gifts to the appeal.

Narellan Rotary Club donated a number of gifts and the Narellan Knitting Group created Santa doilies for the elderly in nursing units in Narellan and Camden.

Navigate Insurance sponsored the wrapping day to purchase the wrapping paper, wool for knitters and a barbecue lunch for all the volunteers.

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