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## **BOOST FROM NEWCASTLE PERMANENT CHARITABLE FOUNDATION SPREADS WINTER WARMTH**

With demand for winter warmers increasing, a \$20,000 grant from the Newcastle Permanent Charitable Foundation (NPCF) to Warm Blankets for Everyone has helped provide more than 1,800 high-quality blankets to those who need it from across the Hunter and Central Coast.

Warm Blankets for Everyone is a grassroots, volunteer-led organisation that partners with a variety of organisations to offer comfort and security to people experiencing homelessness, as well as those on low incomes, or transitioning out of prison through high-quality blankets.

NPCF spokesperson Kirrah McClelland said the Foundation was proud to support Warm Blankets for Everyone and the positive impact they've achieved over the last year.

"We have loved partnering with Warm Blankets for Everyone and seeing the heartwarming impact they have had in the Hunter and Central Coast," Ms McClelland said.

"Warm Blankets for Everyone are making a tangible difference to the lives of some of the most vulnerable people in our community, and it is an honour to be able to assist them.

Warm Blankets for Everyone Co-Founder and Chair Sue Bardsley expressed her gratitude for the funding boost.

"The funding from NPCF has helped us to meet our yearly target and offer warmth to those in need as the demand for our blankets continues to grow across the Hunter and Central Coast regions," Ms Bardsley said.

"We extend our sincere thanks to the Foundation for their contribution and ongoing support in our mission."

Warm Blankets for Everyone charity partner We Care Connect CEO Derryck Klarkowski highlighted the important role the organisation plays in the community.

"We are proud to have partnered with Warm Blankets for Everyone for over five years and be part of such an important initiative that helps supply blankets to those less fortunate," Derryck said.

"Their blankets have helped us to offer warmth and comfort as well as a sense of security to countless children who we support that are disadvantaged or living below the poverty line. Without the blankets from Warm Blankets for Everyone, there would be a significant gap that would be difficult to fill in our community."

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## **About Newcastle Permanent Charitable Foundation**

Newcastle Permanent Charitable Foundation provides more than \$1 million in grants each year to charitable projects aimed at improving the health and social wellbeing of vulnerable people in regional New South Wales. Since its establishment in 2003, the Foundation has provided more than \$26 million to some 550 community initiatives.