



2025 CHRISTMAS HAMPER VOLUNTEER DATES

REGISTER ONLINE to sign up for the activities and dates you like!

Scan the QR code or use the links below:

Desktop/laptop computer <https://bttr.im/309lx>

Mobile device or tablet <https://bttr.im/euowl>



PLEASE NOTE: you must be registered as a Gateway volunteer **AND** have your Working With Children Check verified **PRIOR** to starting.

STEP 1: Ensure that you have registered online as a volunteer, including your Working With Children Check number.

STEP 2: We will verify your Working With Children Check number and approve you to commence volunteering.

If you do not yet have a Working With Children Check we would encourage you to apply online ASAP.

Apply for a Working With Children Check through Service NSW here:
<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-for-a-working-with-children-check>



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Apply for a Working with Children Check

You need a Working with Children Check (WWCC) if you work or volunteer in child-related work in NSW.
The application is free for volunteers.



GIFT WRAPPING DAYS

LOCATION: Wattlecliffe Hall, 9 Wattlecliffe Drive Blaxland

CONTACT: Kerry Thomas **PHONE:** 0405 524 177

EMAIL: gateway.volunteer3@outlook.com

Thursday 13 th November	10:00am - 3:00pm 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Saturday 15 th November	2:00pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday 19 th November	10:00am - 3:00pm 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Thursday 20 th November	10:00am - 3:00pm



GIFT PACKING DAYS

LOCATION: Blaxland Uniting Church Hall, 72 Old Bathurst Road

CONTACT: Kerry Thomas **PHONE:** 0405 524 177

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Wednesday 26th November	(set up) 9:00am - 2:00pm
Thursday 27th November	9:00am at Attunga Rd (with vehicle) to move gifts to hall
Thursday 27th November	9:00am - 2:00pm 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Friday 28th November	9:00am - 2:00pm
Saturday 29th November	9:00am - 2:00pm
Monday 1 st December	9:00am - 2:00pm 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Tuesday 2 nd December	9:00am - 2:00pm
Wednesday 3 rd December	9:00am - 2:00pm

FOOD HAMPER PACKING DAYS

LOCATION: Blaxland Uniting Church Hall, 72 Old Bathurst Road

CONTACT: Heather Gwilliam

PHONE: 0425 391 193

EMAIL: gateway.volunteer2@outlook.com

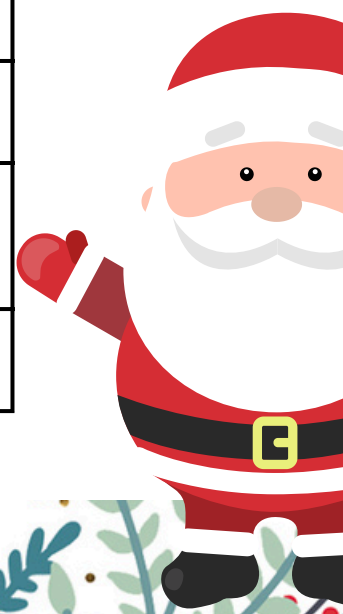
Thursday 4 th December	9:00am - 2:00pm 9:00am at Attunga Rd (with vehicle) to move gifts to hall
Friday 5 th December (same day as IGA Food Drive)	9:00am - 2:00pm
Wednesday 10 th December	9:00am - 2:00pm
Thursday 11 th December	9:00am - 2:00pm
Friday 12 th December	9:00am - 2:00pm

HAMPER DISTRIBUTION DAYS

LOCATION: Blaxland Uniting Church Hall, 72 Old Bathurst Road

CONTACT: Kerry Thomas 0405 524 177 gateway.volunteer3@outlook.com

Sunday 14 th December	(set up) 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Monday 15 th December	9:00am - 2:00pm
Tuesday 16 th December	9:30am - 2:00pm 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Wednesday 17 th December	9:30am - 2:00pm





KITCHEN CREW VOLUNTEERS

LOCATION: Blaxland Uniting Church Hall, 72 Old Bathurst Road

CONTACT: Heather Gwilliam **PHONE:** 0425 391 193

EMAIL: gateway.volunteer2@outlook.com

This year we're looking for volunteers to join our kitchen crew.

Please note that you aren't responsible to DO the catering, rather to get the food and drinks ready and served and cleaned up during hamper packing and distribution days. Some volunteers bring food, sometimes we order food from outside, sometimes we purchase from the supermarkets.

What's involved?

- Get to Blaxland Uniting Church by 8:45am each day to make sure urns are filled up and on, cups and coffee/tea ready for volunteers when they arrive
- Work with the coordinators (Kerry and Heather) to see what time morning tea/brunch will be on that day
- Set up the food that's needed for the break time/s – sweet items, savoury, things for the oven etc
- Liaise with Kerry/Heather to see if food is being brought in/needs to be ordered for that day's catering
- Put on ovens as needed and monitor food being warmed up
- Put food onto plates, put out on tables ready for the allocated break time/s
- Clean and wash up after break times, getting cups etc ready for the next use
- Clean up around the tables used inside the church ready for the next use
- Empty bins into the council bins behind the Gateway cottage each day
- Co-opt others to help when busy
- Let Kerry/Heather know when supplies run low (milk, tea, coffee, gluten free food, biscuits, freezer items, cold drinks etc) so they can purchase them

Kitchen crew dates during hamper packing and distribution days:

Wednesday 26th November	8:45am - 2:30pm
Thursday 27th November	8:45am-2:30pm
Friday 28th November	8:45am - 2:30pm
Saturday 29th November	8:45am - 2:30pm
Monday 1 st December	8:45am - 2:30pm
Tuesday 2 nd December	8:45am - 2:30pm
Wednesday 3 rd December	8:45am - 2:30pm
Thursday 4 th December	8:45am - 2:30pm
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Thursday 11 th December	8:45am - 2:30pm
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Tuesday 16 th December	8:45am - 2:30pm
Wednesday 17 th December	8:45am - 2:30pm



DONATION COLLECTIONS FROM SCHOOLS/PRESCHOOLS

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Pick up volunteers are needed to collect donations from schools and preschools in:

- Emu Plains
- Emu Heights
- Lapstone
- Glenbrook
- Blaxland
- Blaxland East
- Mt Riverview
- Warrimoo
- Faulconbridge

Pick up dates: Thurs 4th Dec, Fri 5th Dec & Wed 10th Dec

CELEBRATION DINNER & GET TOGETHER

We hope to have a celebration get together at the end of distributing the Christmas hampers, and we'll send out more information in the next month or so.

Thank you!

