



"GIVING FROM THE HEART TO THE HAND THAT NEEDS"

Heart To Hand Charity Newsletter 2018



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Dear friends of Heart To Hand,

Welcome to this year's edition of our annual newsletter. Thank you very much for your support over the past year. Homelessness is making the news recently for all the wrong reasons. Families staying in Garda stations, hostels, hotels, temporary shelters etc, it is very disturbing. Moving accommodation on a daily basis is very stressful especially with small children. Heart To Hand continue to do what we can to help these people. We source food from companies and distribute it to centres who are struggling with the amount of people seeking help. We are very grateful to those who make Heart To Hand their choice when donating Food Aid, especially Kerry Group and Glanbia. We deliver Food Aid to over 50 organisations around Ireland including, homeless shelters, soup kitchens, rehabilitation centres, homes for distressed families, breakfast centres and drop in centres, to mention but a few. They are all doing great work with people who have fallen on hard times and we help out by delivering Food Aid.

If you would like to support the work of Heart To Hand, we would be most grateful. You can donate by visiting our website, www.hearttohand.net and donate online or you can post a cheque, fill in the standing order form on the back of this Newsletter or simply donate to any member of Heart To Hand. Fundraisers are vital to the life of the Charity and without them we cannot continue. If you can help, please contact Kieran or Pat whose details are on the back page of this Newsletter. We want to thank all of our volunteers and friends for their continued support this past year. We hope you will continue to support us and the work that we do.

Kieran Byrne,
Director and Founder.

Fundraiser -Truck & Motorbike Run in "The Ragg" Sat 29th Sept.

On **Saturday 29th September**, Paul Dempsey of Keyline Transport is organising a Truck Run and Motorcycle Run for Heart To Hand. There will be raffle tickets doing the rounds prior to the event for some excellent prizes. The draw will take place in the Ragg Lounge on the night of the fundraiser. Following the Truck and Motorbike Run, there will be an evening of entertainment with a band and DJ. This promises to be an excellent event and one for all the family. Please come along to the Ragg, Thurles Co Tipperary on Sat 29th Sept at 2pm to support this event. Details and time will be posted on our web site and Facebook pages.



Leading the way!!



Truck Run, Motorcycle Run and night of entertainment in The Ragg	Building Projects in line for 2018 and completed projects.	Schools supporting Heart To Hand at Christmas.	20 years volunteering!
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Scoil Iosagain Shoebox Collection. Thanks to all involved. Well done!



Glenart College Shoebox Collection, Thank you so much. Well done!

20 years volunteering!

Special thanks to Carmel & John and their extended team who have been volunteering for over 20 years. The amount of food collected by John, Carmel and their team has gone to help so many poor families. We really appreciate your hard work and look forward to many more years together.

20 Years Volunteering!

Special thanks to Martin & Kathleen Buggy who have been volunteering for over 20 years. Lots of people come and go in charities and we are so lucky to have volunteers that have made Heart to Hand their choice for the past 20 years. Martin & Kathleen, you have helped so many people and you really live up to our mission statement "Giving from the Heart To Hand that needs"

Special word of thanks to all our new and young supporters and volunteers. We hope in 20 years time we will be thanking you in our newsletter! Thanks for volunteering to support Heart To Hand, much appreciated.

Designer Clothes Sale - Lakeside Hotel Killaloe.

Thanks to Joanne Skelly and her team of volunteers for another successful clothes sale in the Lakeside Hotel, Killaloe last November. This is an event the whole town looks forward to, such are the bargains! Please support our next sale which will be held in September. Details will be posted on our website and Facebook page. Thanks to the Lakeside Hotel for their continued support in hosting these fundraisers. Thank you to all who donate clothes and all who volunteer.

Standing orders and donations.

Our sincere thanks to all those who continue with standing orders. This is the lifeline of our charity and we really want to say thank you. Thanks to all who donate in any way.

Thanks to all who make anonymous donations.

Shop Door Collections

Special mention to Maureen Sherlock and her group of volunteers who organise the shop door collections and collect so much food for Heart To Hand.

Food Collections during Lent.

Thanks to everyone around the country for donating food items during Lent.

Pen Boxes.

Thank you to all the shopkeepers and businesses who host our pen boxes and keep them maintained. We appreciate your help and continued support.

Killaloe Concert

Our thanks to Sadie Scanlon for hosting a very enjoyable night in the cathedral in Killaloe. Proceeds were donated to 2 charities and we were very grateful for our donation.

Masses Offered

Mass is being offered for all our deceased volunteers and for every member, supporter and volunteer and for all who donate and help in any way.

Donations

Special mention to all those who made personal donations to Heart To Hand.

This year we received funding from various people and we really want to say thank you. You know who you are and you are included in our mass offerings. We received a donation during the year from a lady who sadly passed away in America, and through her family in Dublin, Heart To Hand received her very generous donation. We really appreciate you thinking of Heart To Hand. Thanks to all who donated on line and all who donated food, clothes, shoes etc.

Volunteer drivers - Myles Doran & Pat Cody

Our thanks to Myles and Pat for the endless hours spent delivering Food Aid around Ireland. Without their continued support we would not be able to continue. We are so grateful for your hard work and dedication to those in need. God bless you both.

Christmas Gift Box appeal.

Every year Heart To Hand sends thousands of Christmas gift boxes to the orphanages and the poor in Albania. If you would like to donate one, please fill a gift box with some toys, writing pencils, toothbrush, colouring books, etc. and mark the box for a boy or a girl and the age category the gift would suit. Boxes can be delivered to any of the Heart To Hand volunteers or to the contacts on the back page of this Newsletter. Thank you.



TECHNOLOGIES LTD

Big thanks to all in OMC Technologies for their continued support. OMC has been supporting Heart To Hand for many years now and we are so grateful.



Neil Lynch & Padraic Comerford OMC Technologies presenting a cheque to Pat Whelan Heart To Hand. This generous donation was in lieu of the traditional Christmas bottle!

Wexford potato collections.

Special mention to Brian & Liam Barry who have been collecting potatoes all over Wexford for Heart To Hand for many years and thanks to the potato growers and farmers of Wexford who continue to donate!





A huge thank you to all at the Kerry Group who have made Heart To Hand their 1st choice when donating Food Aid. We are extremely grateful for their ongoing support and especially for the volume of food received. Kerry Group and Heart To Hand have come together to ensure that no food is wasted and that all Food Aid is delivered straight to the people who need it most.

Employee donations through work

Ordinance Survey Ireland.

Our thanks to the staff of Ordinance Survey Ireland who have been supporting Heart To Hand for many years through monthly donations. We are very grateful to all those who donate and to the administration staff who organise and arrange the donations every month.

Projects from 2017 and works for 2018.



Last year 8 volunteers travelled to Albania to carry out building works and put new roofs on houses, install windows and doors and much more necessary repairs.



In March this year Dinny O Dwyer travelled to Albania to install the above freezer, fridge, kitchen and cooker to allow the homeless shelter to start taking in people.



Back : Phil Purcell Mark Dwan ,John Mockler, Dinny O Dwyer,

Front: Timmy Corcoran, Eamonn Cornally ,Billy Dunne & Stephen Dwan.

The crew worked long hours to complete all the various jobs listed out for them. They travel at their own expense and also raise money to buy the materials. Well done to all.

This year a group will travel out to carry out more housing projects and to convert a very large basement area into a major homeless centre for individuals and families.

The centre will include temporary accommodation, toilets, showers, large industrial kitchen , electrics, drainage, class rooms, training rooms and much more.



A section of the large crowd taking part in last years 6 a side soccer tournament . The tournament will be held again this year and we look forward to another great event. Thanks To Phil & Bridget Purcell for organising the tournament. Please support this years event if soccer is your game

Holycross knitting Group

Our thanks to Breda Ryan, her team of knitters and her colleagues from other knitting groups who knit children's clothes for the orphanages . Thank you all for your beautiful garments



Heart To Hand , Founded in 1991 is now **27 years** providing for the poorest of the poor. This is an incredible achievement and one only made possible by the generosity of the Irish people. We are very grateful for your support over the years and together we will continue to help those most in need. We support the Missionaries of Charity in Albania and over 30 centres here in Ireland.



Over the past 6 years we have concentrated our food aid in Ireland such was the need for help. As a registered, well established, volunteer led charity with no paid staff , we were well placed to start helping out in Ireland. We continue to seek out small charities making a difference in their locality and give whatever support we can.

In Dublin, we provide food Aid to Brother Kevin. Chuain Mhuire Gardner street, who recently had a visit from Pope Francis. The Missionaries Of Charity South Circular Road. WAACC Cuffe Street. Liberties community care. Mendicity Island Street. Respond Griffit avenue.

In Arklow and Carlow, we provide assistance to charities helping families and the homeless.

In Limerick, we support the following very worthy charities, Our Lady of Lourdes Community services group, Childers road . Adapt Domestic Abuse Services , Rosbrien. Thomond House Homeless Centre. Southill After School services. St Vincent De Paul Hartstonge St. Mid West Simon Community Careys road. Novas (Formerly Br Stephen Russel House) McGarry House Limerick. Moyross Community Centre. St Munchins Community Centre Kileely . St Vincent De Paul Drop in Centre. St Vincent De Paul Castleconnell .

Munster Logistics, very kindly provide us with warehousing , forklifts, facilities, personnel, and transport. Without the support of Munster logistics we would not be able to provide such a service to Limerick, thanks to Darren and Shane for their continued support of our charity.

Thanks to **Camilla O' Brien** and her team of volunteers for organising, loading and unloading of all food aid deliveries. Camilla and her team are all volunteers and arrive in at very short notice to help with distribution.

Finally a big thank you to **Kieran, Margaret & James Byrne** for the loading and packing of the Humanitarian Aid deliveries to Albania. This is hard work and work they take great pride in. The lorries are packed with only the best of food, clothes, and other necessary humanitarian aid for the orphanages, shelters' and homeless people.

STANDING ORDER FORM



To The Manager- _____

Branch Address _____

I/We hereby authorise and request you to debit my/our account

(Details of the account from which the payment will be made)

Account Number: _____

BIC: _____

IBAN: _____

And to credit the beneficiary/Receiver account.

Account Name: Heart To Hand AIB Arklow Co Wicklow.

Account No: 03679094

BIC: AIBKIE2D

IBAN: IE12AIBK93302303679094

Amount€ _____ Start date _____

Frequency: Monthly _____ Annually _____ Other _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Date _____

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

Make a donation: contact any member of Heart To Hand or contact us on 087 2745570

Direct debit/Standing Order of your choice. Our bank details as follows: AIB Arklow Co Wicklow. **Account No. 03679094 Sort code 93 30 23. Account name - Heart To Hand.**

Making a will.

Please consider Heart to Hand when thinking of leaving something to help the poor in Ireland.

Hold a food collection in your local parish, church, school, workplace or supermarket. Tinned food, pasta, porridge, rice, beans and peas, soup, etc. are especially welcome.