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Community spirit alive and well: LAST

Member for Burdekin, Dale Last, has offered his thanks to the people of the Burdekin following the delivery of donated goods to the Salvation Army.

Mr Last said his annual Christmas Appeal was a great illustration of the way the people of the district looked out for each other and were always willing to lend a helping hand.

“Each year people support my annual Christmas Appeal so generously and it really symbolises the spirit of Christmas,” he said.

“Even when people are doing it tough themselves they are always willing to do what they can to help others and that is one of the things that makes me so proud of our community.”

“Throughout 2019, the people of the Burdekin have dug deep to help people affected by flood, drought and bushfire and they still find a way to help those less fortunate in the lead up to Christmas.”

Mr Last said the donations would make a huge difference to people over the Christmas period and well into the new year.

“Each year when the donations are collected the Salvation Army coordinators tell us about the reaction from people when they receive support, especially in the lead up to Christmas,” he said. “It really does warm your heart.”

“It’s not just the physical donations that make a difference; for people to know that the community cares can literally change lives.”

“It’s easy to concentrate on our own problems sometimes but, as a community, we should be proud of the way we help others and I am honoured each and every year to represent a community that is so caring.”

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