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PRESS RELEASE

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Filling the pantries of our Seniors in need

Due to the growing financial need amongst our local Seniors, many have been going without in order to get by. Chermshire has a high proportion of aged pensioners with 25% of the population being in the 65+ bracket and many within this group are struggling to survive week to week. In response to this, Burnie Brae Centre, in conjunction with Kedron-Wavell Services Club, are creating a new service called Project Pantry aimed at providing staple foods and products to aged pensioners through a 'Market Day' at the Centre where goods will be available free of charge or at a very low cost.

Today's Market Day was the very first of what we hope will become a regular event, held on the first Friday of every month. A wide variety of goods were available for the people whom attended including breads (courtesy of Bakers Delight), fruit and vegetables (from Charlie's Fruit Market), meat, dairy and canned goods. The Centre has received wonderful support from the community through donations of goods and offers of assistance.

Dulcie Barclay, a local in the area expressed her surprise and delight at the goodwill shown, 'It was very much unexpected to have so many lovely goods available to us, and very generous of Kedron-Wavell Services Club to support such a great program'. A sentiment shared by many others who attended.

Today's demonstration of goodwill and kindness has been very impressive and heartwarming and enabled Project Pantry to provide many Seniors with groceries to get them through the week, however the ongoing success of the Project is dependent upon the help we receive from the community. The more money raised and the more goods donated means more people can be helped.

All donations of both perishable and non-perishable food items, along with personal care items for distribution on our monthly Market Days will be greatly appreciated.

For more information on how you can help or to donate goods please contact Deb Underdown or Anita Wong in the Burnie Brae Welfare Office on 3624 2121.

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