

Blanket Drive - 2022

The Club's 2022 Blanket Drive was another great success with 91 blankets distributed in and around Pretoria to those in real need of some comfort from the cold winter that is upon us! This is the 13th year that our Club has participated in the District 9400 Collaborative Blanket Drive and ranks up there with the best of years going back.

This has been achieved through the generous support from those club members who contributed to the campaign and here mention must be made of Rotarian Owen Maroleni whose contribution accounted for just over half of the total money raised.

Collectively R 7 735 was raised and the Club's order placed with the manufacturers Sesli Textiles. Rose and I went to their West Rand Florida factory on Monday June 6 to collect the blankets before the really cold weather sets in. This is the Pajero loaded up with the back seats folded down and 91 Blankets stuffed in the back.



Distribution of the blankets started on our drive home with the nine blankets allocated to Grant Adam being dropped off at his home and handed over to Dugmore.

A further 20 blankets were delivered to Clive Perkins and collected from Clive's home by Marks and the team from the Winterveldt HIV/AIDS Care Centre for distribution in Winterveldt. Owen Maroleni collected 15 blankets and Alvene a further 10 for distribution through their respective churches.

I delivered the Home for the Needy allocation later that week and these will be used by the Creche and distributed to the most deserving of families in the Lethabong community.

A new initiative this year was the allocation of two blankets directly to Rotarians who requested to participate in giving these blankets to the most deserving and the many people on the streets who are facing the winter under very harsh circumstances.

PP Aiden Robertson

