



## **KCGM Media Release** **16<sup>th</sup> December 2008**

### **KCGM Employees H.E.L.P. Churchwest**

KCGM employees have gone for *gold* to help those in need this Christmas, by donating *loads* of food hamper products for the annual Churchwest H.E.L.P. Christmas Hamper Appeal.

Unfortunately, not everyone is lucky enough to enjoy a plentiful Christmas, so to help give those less fortunate a great Christmas, Churchwest run the H.E.L.P Christmas Hamper Appeal over the festive season, which collects Christmas food items to make into hampers which are distributed amongst the community.

The local mining company joined the campaign three years ago when passionate KCGM Truck Operator, Sue Westwood, in collaboration with Churchwest, encouraged fellow employees to *dig* deep by asking them to make a food contribution to the appeal through various donation boxes located across site.

Since day one, KCGM employees have enthusiastically supported the initiative and this has seen the profile of the campaign grown significantly across site.

This year, through the site wide collection points and the introduction of “santa’s elves” collecting cash donations at the site security gates, KCGM has been able to provide enough items to make into more than 200 hampers for the needy and they’ve also raised more than \$4000 for Appeal. This will mean that Churchwest will be able to purchase additional perishable items for the Appeal, such as Christmas hams which will accompany the hampers.

Churchwest run not only the H.E.L.P. Christmas Hamper Appeal but also work tirelessly throughout the year on a number of campaigns and initiatives to help those in need, including the Winter Blanket Appeal and the Christmas Hamper Appeal.

All of this would not be possible without the extraordinary efforts of KCGM employees and the dedicated Churchwest volunteers, Sue Westwood, Eileen Chalmers, Laura Eloxham, Jenny Macqueen, Rachel Green, Anne Checery, Joseph Yepwi and Marleen Tana.

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#### **Photo**

*Handing over of the Christmas Hamper Products and Giant Cheque from KCGM to Churchwest – taken by Kalgoorlie Miner Photographer 15<sup>th</sup> December 2008*