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Letter to the editor – Vinnies Christmas Appeal

A Christmas without joy and hope is no Christmas at all

This December more than 22,000 Queenslanders face a Christmas spent sleeping rough, in temporary accommodation or inadequate dwellings, or in halfway-solutions like boarding houses or crisis accommodation.

For those who have a place to call home, latest research shows one in ten are paying more than 30 per cent of their income on rent, meaning there's not a lot left over for food and bills, let alone a small gift for their child.

With the kind donations received last December, Vinnies ensured more than 18,220 people were provided with a brighter Christmas than the one they were facing.

This Christmas, Vinnies needs your support again to help make a difference in the lives of those who face a Christmas of fear, anxiety and despair, full of worry caused by homelessness, housing stress and the rising cost of living.

Donating to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal means we can provide children with smiles and laughter and parents with a festive season they can remember for the right reasons.

A Christmas without a home is no Christmas at all. But it doesn't need to be that way. Your generosity can help bring joy and comfort to people this Christmas. Your support will mean that thousands more struggling Queenslanders can have the Christmas they deserve.

Donations to the [Vinnies Christmas Appeal](#) can be made at vinnies.org.au, phoning 13 18 12, or at any Vinnies shop.

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