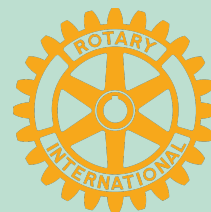


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Westport flood relief news

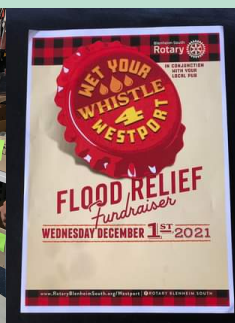
At last the 'navigators' have visited flood damaged houses and established those who are in need of our help. The University of Canterbury Field station has been booked for the **27th Jan to 12th Feb** for up to 30 visitors, with parking adjacent for motorhomes and caravans

What we have achieved so far?

- ❖ Raised \$82,524 from an on going appeal for funds towards minor house repairs and replacement furniture for those who were under insured or lacked adequate insurance.
- ❖ 30 rotarians assisted with the sorting and fit out of the pop up Shop Zero 2 weeks ago
- ❖ A family of 8 living in the camping ground was funded for a weekend break
- ❖ Supported the Sallies with \$2500 towards dedicated food parcels after the flooding
- ❖ Carried out a survey of 5 houses for repairs
- ❖ Formed a partnership with the Buller District Council to 'refresh' 5 transitional houses
- ❖ Sourced beds and bedding
- ❖ Westport RC have provided community support with delivery or shifting of furniture
- ❖ Supported Westport Rotary Club to front the appeal and community engagement
- ❖ Blenheim clubs have organised an event 'Wet your Whistle for Westport' to raise funds

What we plan to do next

- ❖ Visit Westport between the **27th Jan -12th Feb** to carry out minor house repairs , and help paint the 5 ex Twizel transitional houses .
- ❖ Source beds, bedding, window treatment and furniture for delivery after 8 transitional houses are ready for occupation
- ❖ Source more furniture, beds and bedding as damaged homes are repaired and occupied



We are calling for volunteers with DIY building and painting skills

Can you spare a few days or a week to help in Westport? Please fill out the Google form to register your availability and skills. Free accomodation provided. Volunteers will need to have a valid vaccination passport

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