



Donations to RIMERN

What is RIMERN?

The Rotary Club of Glenferrie is a member of the RIMERN group (*Rotary Inner Melbourne Emergency Relief Network*). RIMERN provides a valued service to victims of domestic violence, persons on parole, persons recovering from drug addiction and refugees.

Collection of House hold Goods

This service collects and distributes household goods(*bedding, tables, kitchenware, white goods, appliances*) for individuals and families in need. Donated household goods have to be suitable for use in emergency accommodation, so there is a focus to ensure it is “ fit for purpose”; hence the following process....

What will be RIMERN take?

See what RIMERN can take and what they cannot take on

<http://www.rimern.org.au/rimern-home/donate/donate-goods/>

Theses criteria is need to ensure the warehouse space is used to store goods needed by our clients

.... A summary

Items Accepted by RIMERN include the following:

- Smaller Household Furniture (in good condition please – not torn, worn or dirty): Lounge Suites (sofas <2.1m wide, no recliners thanks), Dining Tables and Chairs (min. setting for 2, max. seating for 6), Bedroom furniture (bedside tables, chests of drawers).
- Single arm chairs subject to stock levels & current demand.
- Whitegoods, Fridges, washing machines, dryers (clean, rust free & in good working order please).
- Electrical Appliances (clean & in working order) – Microwaves, flat screen TVs with remote, toasters, kettles, rice & slow cookers, stick blenders, sandwich presses, lamps, heaters, fans, irons, hair dryers etc. All electrical appliances will be tested and tagged by us in accordance with Australian Standards. Those with cords that are frayed, torn or damaged are not acceptable.
- Single, Double & QS Beds that are not stained or soiled, inner spring mattresses (Not King Size or King Single), bedding/ linen, blankets and pillows (in good clean condition). Please note we don't rehome bases that need assembly, only inner spring bases please.
- Household utensils – plain coloured crockery, sets of cutlery and cooking equipment. No cups & saucers or stemmed glassware thanks.

We are also grateful for donations of **new** doonas, pillows, towels, bathmats & tea towels as second-hand ones are seldom good quality or good enough to donate.

Items NOT accepted by RIMERN include:

- Baby Goods – cots, prams and car seats (please try Kilda Mums or Big Group Hug)
- TV Hutches, glass door units particularly modular buffet units, study or office desks and furniture, computer desks, dressing tables.
- Any cabinets, buffet units or We cannot accept any furniture with glass doors or shelves.
- Non-essential electrical items such as bread & pasta makers/ coffee machines, VCRs, record players
- Computers/ typewriters/ photocopiers/ printers I scanners/ non digital TV's

- Old style wire base beds, heavy timber beds including bunks, king sized beds (including singles) or hospital – type beds. Non-spring mattresses.
- Futon chairs/ beds, chaise, modular or corner couches, couches wider than 1m, with sagging springs, uncomfortable or too large to move easily.
- Dining chairs not in sets of 2 or more and/or considered worn
- Exercise equipment/Medical or mobility aids (please contact RAMP Rotary Aiding Mobility Program at rotaryprahran.org.au for these)
- BBQ, Outdoor furniture, Garage/Trash & Treasure leftovers, clothes, shoes, toys,etc.

RIMERN Conditions

1. RIMERN and its **drivers reserve the right to decline items** considered unsuitable for our needs as they cost us money to dispose of.
2. Please note, our collection team **are not permitted to carry goods down stairs &** prefer that goods are outside for collection. If you don't have a lift please ensure donated goods are on the ground floor for collection.

End Summary

How to donate?

You can **donate house goods** to RIMERN by following the following protocols. If you have goods to donate... no phone calls please but send email to donatedgoods@rimern.org.au and the volunteer staff at RIMERN will assess the suitability of your goods for their use and organise a collection date.

In the email to donatedgoods@rimern.org.au, please provide the following:

- a. Provide your name, email address and mobile.
- b. Location of goods to be collected.
- c. Brief description of the key goods offered and photos of these key items (some estate goods are not necessarily reusable and need to be reviewed before collection)
- d. Critical date to be collected by.

RIMERN staff will quickly respond to your email and organise what they will take and set a mutual time with you to collect it.

You can also follow RIMERN on Facebook on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/495145215239091>

If you have any queries, please contact either [Geoff Widmer](#) or [David Fallick](#).

Signed

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