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## Help Spread Season's Cheer

Anna Burke MP, Federal Member for Chisholm, is calling for local residents to follow Santa's lead this festive season.

Ms Burke is encouraging people to drop off presents and food for needy local children at her electorate office, Level 1, 207 Blackburn Road Syndal, from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November until Friday 9th December.

Ms Burke will then deliver the donated presents and food to Dixon House in Clayton – a centre run by Anglicare Victoria to support children, young people and families – for distribution amongst local families.

Presents can also be dropped off directly at Dixon House, 2 Dixon Street, Clayton.

Ms Burke said many local children were at risk of 'going without' presents this festive season.

"Many parents or care-givers simply may not have enough money left over after buying their necessities to be able to afford to buy presents for their children," Ms Burke said.

"Knowing that you are helping make a child you don't even know happy will make your own festive celebrations even more special," Ms Burke said.

Ms Burke said Dixon House was particularly eager for presents suitable for teenage boys, as there was always a shortage of donated presents for that specific age-group.

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