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Donations deliver a bit of ‘magic’

Victims of domestic violence and their children will wake up with a bit of Christmas magic this year, thanks to one family and community support.

For Paul Mitchell and his family, this is the 13th year of drawing together community generosity to arrange for gifts for parents and children who have been forced to flee their homes due to domestic violence.

“Some of these people have had to flee in a hurry and have left everything behind,” said Paul.

“These gifts help just a little, but it’s something.

“It brings a little bit of Christmas magic to the families.”

Paul thanked the Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga for her donation of $100 worth of toys and toiletry items.

Ms Lauga applauded the efforts of Mr Mitchell and his family, and for those in the community who support the cause.

The Mitchell family is also involved in a Christmas lunch for the victims and their families.

Ms Lauga urged everyone to donate to this great cause at pmitchell._@hotmail.com or call Paul 0439439491.

“Every single Queenslander has a part to play in preventing domestic and family violence, and these initiatives are a great way for people to get involved and stand up and say not now, not ever to domestic and family violence in their communities.

“No community is untouched by domestic and family violence, but we need to stand together and say it will not be tolerated in Queensland,” she said.
For help in dealing with domestic and family violence, call the state-wide DVConnect Womensline on 1800 811 811 or DVConnect Mensline on 1800 600 636.

PHOTO: Paul Mitchell receives $100 worth of toys and toiletries from Brittany Lauga’s electorate office employee Annette Shields.

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