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Dear Laurel,

This letter is to acknowledge the donation from union Local 715 M to our 2010 Christmas Hamper Project and to send an official receipt. As a result of this help, we were able to meet our goal of providing a substantial hamper containing the makings for a complete Christmas dinner and gifts for 73 needy families, a further 50 families received a Basics food voucher.

The Hamper Committee was disappointed to read in Mr Brewer's letter that your membership has decided to discontinue your support of our Project in 2 years time. Your annual donation will be extremely difficult if not impossible to replace. I had similar concerns about the annual gift from our other big financial supporter the Nepean Kiwanis who are suffering from a decline in membership. As a consequence of these fears I made a presentation at one of their recent meetings and convinced them to continue to assist us in our work. I would be pleased to make a similar presentation to your members to demonstrate the value of the Project. The majority of recipients of our hampers and vouchers are located in the Debra Dynes and Caldwell assisted housing areas which do not enjoy the profile of The Mission and the Salvation Army and desperately need the support of their community TV station's unionised employees. Please give me a call or an E Mail if you think my suggestion is of interest.

An extract from the 2011 Annual Report of the Church, addressing the Hamper Project is attached and, while lengthy, maybe of interest. You will note that the support of Local 715M is recognized therein. Based on the average expenditure of \$60.25 for the food and gifts in each hamper, the cheques received from Local 715 M provided a Christmas dinner for about 17 average families! Alternatively, it covered the purchase of 40 food gift certificates.

I am sure that your members take great satisfaction from assisting those less fortunate than themselves at Christmas time. The Church could not do this work without the support provided by organisations outside the congregation. A sincere thank you to everyone once again and our best wishes for 2011.

Yours very sincerely,

Robert Pegrum
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Chair, CVUC Christmas Hamper Committee

