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## Pride of our Community

Dear Lions

Thank you so much for all of the messages of support, contributions of items and financial donations that have allowed us to complete our project rucksacks for Grenfell Children. Although we thought of and initiated this venture it was truly a joint effort by this wonderful District.

At first, early on the morning of June 14<sup>th</sup> we thought 100 rucksacks would be enough. As time went on and the sheer enormity of the tragedy opened up; the numbers needed for all age groups from 0-18 and reached the 400 mark. We organised three separate rucksacks –pre -school 0-4 years, Primary 5-10 years and Secondary 11-18. Our initial thought of needing £2000 to complete the project soon became a target of £5,700. We, the Leo's, raised £2000 and the remainder was from you.

The items were sourced, purchased, packed and the rucksacks delivered to the children by 22nd August just 10 weeks after the fire and in time for the start of the new school term. An e-mail from the Grenfell Family Support Team was received with their gratitude for the thought and care in providing such an essential need.

The wholehearted support from Lion Alf was much appreciated. The bulk of the packing was undertaken during the School holidays in Dagenham and at the Beal Academy in Redbridge. The Academy who will be joining the Leo

programme in the Autumn gave superb support with finance, packing and delivery .Bletchley Lions members also stepped in to help with the final packing.

Lion Minesh gave up his time carried bags full of rucksacks and helped deliver them to the Key Workers at West Way, in Kensington. Lions Doreen and Andrew are an amazing team who never flinched from the task and were there every step of the way from start to finish –buying, cajoling, packing, delivering and insuring each rucksack had our personal message.

Thank you all again

Fairlop Leos

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