

# ZHARITY NEWSLETTER

February & March 2020

It may be a little late but we hope you all had a wonderful New Year! We are very excited for the year ahead and already have some great ideas for Zharity. Please read on to see how you can get involved with our collections and events, including some tips on what to do with those unwanted gifts and toys your children have grown out of...

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## Join us for our upcoming events!



### HPF Winterthur

This February we have a great big list of "wishes" to fulfil from families served by HPF Winterthur, an early childhood program for children with disabilities. This might be the perfect time to clean out after the holidays and pass along toys and children's items that you're no longer using.

Here are the details:

**What:** Please see the full list on our website (link below)

**When:** Monday, February 24 to Friday, February 28

**Where:** Look for collection boxes at the following Google reception locations -

Brandschenkestrasse Main Reception

BEDE Reception

EURA Reception

EURH Reception

For larger items, please drop off on Friday 28th February so that we don't have overflowing collection points, or

feel free to message Amanda (amanda@zharity.ch) and we can figure out another collection option.

## THE "WISH LIST"



### Conservation Volunteers Australia

A message from, Sheena, one of our volunteers, following Australia's recent bush fires:

"I had a rewarding experience volunteering with Conservation Volunteers Australia in 2010 to help collect data on how many animals returned back to their native homes after the 2009 Victorian Bush land. Volunteering with CVA over the years helped me understand the environmental impact after bush fires and their conservation projects. I was able to discover the mutual benefit of CVA's contribution to encourage a sustainable future for animals in their natural habitat and their educational experiences for current and future generations. I am happy I had the opportunity to volunteer with with CVA!"

If you would like to find out more about what CVA do and how you can support them, please follow the below link.

DONATE

## Thank You!



### Caritas Gift Exchange

Thank you for all the toy donations and treats, and your participation at the Caritas Toy Exchange. It was a lovely afternoon with many happy children.

We'd like to give a special thanks to Ewa and Elena for running the crafting table. We created some unique art!

**Save the date!** December 2, 2020 is already set for this year's Gift Exchange.



### SOS Kinderdorf

Many thanks for all the coins and cash that you donated for [SOS Kinderdorf](#). We received over **21kg of change** from countries all around the world. It will get passed along to the SOS Kinderdorf office in Bern.

We're just thrilled with the amount received and hope to make this an annual project for Zharity Collections. Thanks again!



## Meet the Zharity Team

We would like to introduce you, this issue, to Amanda.

Originally from Pittsburgh, America, she moved to Zurich 4 years ago. She has two sons who are 5 and 13 years old and works part-time at the University of Zurich doing research on Internet use among older adults.

If you would like to find out more about Amanda and what motivates her to volunteer, please follow the below link.

[MEET AMANDA](#)



### Tip of the Month!

Helfen Sie Helfen does wonderful work both in Switzerland and abroad - donating items to those most in need! Please check out their [website](#) to see how you can help.



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