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STATIONERY SORTERS



Give Write is a not-for-profit enterprise aimed at taking donations of new and pre-loved school stationery to recycle, repackage and re-gift to Western Australian kids in need who starts their school year with no supplies. The organisation's program also focuses on promoting recycling to reduce local landfill, encouraging children who may feel excluded or ostracised at school, alleviating the pressure on teachers (who often have to each into their own pockets), and encouraging philanthropy in children from an early age. Give Write is one of the recipients of a Lotterywest COVID-19 Relief Fund grant, which enables the enterprise in providing school supplies to more WA kids in need.



On Wednesday 30 November, volunteers from BHP's CNPH Mine Geology Team contributed their Wednesday to assist Give Write with organising and sorting out stationeries received from the general public. After an introduction and a tour of the office, the team split into groups and started sorting through boxes of donated crayons, pens, pencils, and textas, checking that each worked, was clean of any marks or names, and then sorting by colour and brand. This sorted stationery would then be used to make up pencil cases, ensuring that the kids receive only the best possible stationery. A couple of team members also assisted throughout the day by sorting through some donated books and organising their inhouse library. Towards the end of the session, the whole team had the opportunity to package up some pencil cases, which included the essentials, such as pens, ruler, eraser, highlighters, and pencils. The packaged pencil cases would be sent out to schools and kids in need throughout WA in the coming weeks.

As the day wrapped up, Give Write presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the team to express their gratitude for their help and assistance. Well done all, we hope you enjoyed your volunteering experience.



[You can view more photos from the team day HERE.](#)