



STATIONERY SORTERS

Give Write is a not-for-profit enterprise aimed at taking donations of new and pre-loved school stationery to recycle, repack and re-gift to Western Australian kids in need who start 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 reach 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 September 10, three volunteers from BHP's Reserve Geology Team contributed their Friday morning to assist Give Write with organising and sorting out stationeries received from the general public. The day started off with an introduction about Give Write by the Volunteer Coordinator, Anita Bell. The team had the opportunity to watch a short video where Give Write was featured in a Television Commercial for Lotterywest as part of their grant. After the introduction, the team started their day with cleaning glue sticks and removing name labels or marks from colour pencils and pen markers to allow these stationeries to be re-used for kids in need of school supplies. After morning tea, the team packaged pencil cases, which included the essentials, such as pens, ruler, eraser, highlighter, pencils, crayons, and glue stick. The team successfully managed to hit Give Write's 5000 target, which was an incredible result. As the day wrapped up, Give Write presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the team to express their gratitude towards the team's help and assistance.