

Media Release

ACT State Emergency Service



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ACTSES collect funds for QLD flood appeal

ACT State Emergency Service (ACTSES) volunteers will tonight and tomorrow continue assisting with the Queensland flood relief effort by collecting donations at the various Australia Day activities across the ACT.

“It is another way that we can show our support to the victims of the floods,” ACTSES Chief Officer Tony Graham said.

“Over 50 ACTSES volunteers have been rostered on to carry out traffic marshalling and community education at the various Australia Day events,” he said.

“All of the ACTSES volunteers will be clearly identified wearing the orange uniform as well as carrying identification with collection buckets for the QLD Premier’s Flood Relief Appeal”.

The ACTSES have sent two taskforces to QLD since the flood devastation with the second taskforce returning to ACT last Saturday.

“40 volunteers and two staff members from the ACTSES have over the last two weeks assisted with a range of tasks including door-to-door house clean ups as well as search and recovery operations in hot and trying conditions,” ACTSES Chief Officer Tony Graham said.

“I am proud that our volunteers have continued to once again show their dedication and commitment to people in distress and we will be ready to respond if any further requests for more assistance are received,” he said.

Volunteer crews from the ACTSES will begin their collection tonight at the Australia Day Live concert on the lawns of Parliament House, followed by attending various other events across the ACT tomorrow during the Australia Day festivities.

