



Lord Mayor's Community Trust

Supporting Brisbane's Charities

Lady Mayoress house funds go to charities

The Lady Mayoress will tonight present the funds from her Devine Charity House sale to Brisbane charities at a City Hall ceremony.

Mrs Newman is Chair of the Lord Mayor's Community Trust which received \$350,000 from the proceeds of the three-bedroom house in Ningi near Bribie Island.

"I'm really pleased to be able to present this money to Brisbane charities who will go on to help so many people in need across our city and region," she said.

"Tonight the Wesley Research Institute will receive \$100,000 and Youngcare \$50,000.

"The remainder will go to SPACE, Southside Education, Teen Challenge, HOPE, and Life Education."

The Lady Mayoress said this was the third year a house had been built by Devine to raise funds for the Lord Mayor's Community Trust.

"The LMCT focuses particularly on prevention and support services for people who are homeless, suffering mental illness, disability, or those with a history of substance abuse or history of trauma," she said.

"I'm grateful to Devine and Leighton Properties for lending their expertise to help so many Brisbane people in need, especially this year when times are tough."

The City Hall event is a thank you for all parties involved in the house auction.

The Lady Mayoress said each year the Lord Mayor's Community Trust allocated major grants to Brisbane's charities.

"Our major grant giving program is all about seeking out smaller charities that are doing amazing work to directly help people in need, and committing to supporting them through the donation of major sums of money," she said.

The Devine Leighton Property family home at the Sandstone Lakes Estate was sold at the end of June.

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