

# SCHOOLS



**Together we can end homelessness**

**Will your school help?**

**Simon Community NI is Northern Ireland's leading homeless charity – helping more than 3000 people every year, including families, children and young people.**

Currently over 35% of the people we support are under 25 years of age, with many of our clients between 16-18 years of age still attending school. At the end of a school day instead of going home to the love and support of a family unit, they go back to one of our special accommodation projects for young people.

We want to break the cycle of homelessness for our young people and give them the skills, support and confidence to build a future. Schools play a key part in our

work, helping educate the next generation on homelessness, the work of Simon Community NI and the impact fundraising can make on changing the lives of people in your local community.

Choosing us as Charity of the Year is a fun and easy partnership – just sign up to one or more of our events or hold your own and we'll help you along the way.



# SWEATERS FOR SIMON

## Get festive and help those with no home this Christmas

Christmas is a time for family, warm beds, celebration and making memories.

Your school can help those facing homelessness by holding a Christmas Jumper Day for Simon Community NI. Simply grab your most festive jumper, Santa hat or reindeer antlers and make a donation to those who face homelessness at Christmas.

Each £10 raised could purchase a turkey dinner for those spending Christmas in our hostels, or provide the only gift a young person might receive on Christmas Day.

Sign up and receive your FREE fundraising pack, which includes a certificate for best dressed pupil and teacher.



## This year, make a real difference to those facing homelessness here in NI

Why not hold a collection at your school concert, play, talent show or Christmas carol service for Simon Community NI. This is an easy way to help those less fortunate this year.

Contact our team so we can provide any materials you may need to show that you're supporting Simon Community NI.

# SWEET TREATS FOR SIMON

## One for those with a sweet tooth

Why not host a bake sale for staff, pupils and parents and make a donation to Simon.

For the icing on the cake, speak to our fundraising team for the support and resources needed to make your event a success.



## Organise your own event or collection and we will support you every step of the way.

### We can provide:

- An educational talk before or after your fundraising from Simon Community NI's dedicated Schools Fundraiser
- A Certificate of Thanks
- Resources to help your fundraising – balloons, buckets, sponsor forms, donation envelopes, information leaflets, stickers and empty belly posters

*"The presentation was really informative. The pupils are still buzzing from it and it has encouraged them to help raise funds among the class."*

**- M Robinson, St Ronan's College, Lurgan**

*"The Simon Community presentation was so informative – at the right pitch for teenagers. What really struck a chord with our young people was that this is a real problem in N Ireland and it can happen to anyone regardless of age, gender or background."*

**- C Sleeth, Integrated College, Dungannon**

*"An invaluable insight on an issue that can not be ignored"*

**- D Agnew, Wellington College, Belfast**

**For more information or to sign up for any of our events please contact our School Engagement Team.**

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