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Charitable and fashionable effort takes the edge off winter at Mont Clare

World Refuge Day had both a charitable and fashionable focus this year at not-for-profit aged care home Mercy Place Mont Clare.

The team of over 20 staff members - several of whom come from refugee backgrounds themselves - embarked upon a 'clothing drive' to gather good quality, pre-loved winter clothes from colleagues, residents, and their families, which are now set to be distributed between the Salvation Army and Good Sammy's.

"Our team at Mercy Place Mont Clare have a diverse range of backgrounds, and a common theme amongst everyone is the desire to give back and make a difference to others in the community," says Mercy Place Mont Clare Acting Service Manager, Me Nu Nu Tun.

"The idea for the clothing drive came directly from our care staff, who wanted to find a way to make a difference to others' lives on World Refugee Day, and the response from our 73 residents and their families, as well as other members of the Mercy Place Mont Clare community, has been genuinely overwhelming.

"We are delighted to have gathered so many good quality winter clothes which we will be distributing to the Salvation Army and Good Sammy's next week, and I think we all feel good about making a small difference to those who may not be so fortunate this winter."

Mercy Health is a Catholic community not for profit provider of care, founded by the Sisters of Mercy and grounded in a 2000 year history of caring for those in need. The organisation is a national service provider of health and aged care throughout Victoria, Southern New South Wales, Western Australia, Queensland and the Australian Capital Territory.

In Western Australia, the organisation cares for over 300 people across six residential homes, with 78 independent living units.

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