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TasNetworks and Variety Light Up Christmas for Kids in Need

TasNetworks has partnered with Variety – the Children’s Charity Tasmania to bring a little extra warmth and joy to Tasmanian families this Christmas, supporting children facing hardship through a \$10,000 donation and volunteer efforts building children’s bikes throughout December.

The donation, alongside TasNetworks’ ongoing support of School Breakfast Clubs on the West Coast, will help Variety provide vital support to children living with disability, illness or disadvantage – including those experiencing financial pressure, social barriers or complex medical needs.

“Children deserve the chance to flourish – regardless of background, health or circumstances,” TasNetworks Executive People and Stakeholder Renee Anderson said.

“At a time of year centred around connection and generosity, we know many Tasmanian families are doing it tough. We’re proud that our contribution will help Variety deliver both practical support and moments of joy for kids this Christmas.”

The funds will contribute to Variety’s grants and programs, helping young people access mobility and communication equipment, educational support, and inclusive experiences.

“This year, Variety has supported nearly 27,000 children across Tasmania, almost twice as many as the year before. It reflects the increasing challenges families are facing in our communities,” Variety Tasmania CEO Mohommad Aldergham said.

“We are deeply grateful for the funding provided by partners like TasNetworks, which helps us give every child the chance to live, laugh and learn.”

In the lead-up to Christmas, TasNetworks teams across the state are dedicating their time to building children’s bikes for Variety’s Bikes4Kids program – creating gifts that will soon spark big smiles on Christmas morning.

“These bikes will soon find their way to children who may never have had the chance to ride a bike of their own, making this Christmas extra special. A bike is more

than a gift. It is confidence, independence and the joy of exploring the world on two wheels," Mr Aldergham said.

[LINK TO BIKES4KIDS IMAGES](#)

About Variety – the Children’s Charity Tasmania

Variety – the Children’s Charity Tasmania supports children and young people aged 0–18 who are sick, disadvantaged or living with disability. Through grants, programs and experiences, Variety provides practical help where it’s needed most – including mobility and communication equipment, medical and therapy services, educational support, and inclusive community events.

Variety Tasmania’s work ensures children can gain independence, build confidence, and participate fully in school and community life. To donate, get involved or learn more, visit variety.org.au/TAS.

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