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**Media Release**

**City of Perth**

Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund

In response, the Lord Mayor has established the Cranbrook/Plantagenet Bushfire Appeal as part of the Lord Mayor’s Distress Relief Fund.

The Lord Mayor is asking people in WA to open their hearts and consider the plight of their rural neighbours in the south.

"The areas of Cranbrook and Plantagenet have been ravaged by fire and the people need our help. Any money collected will hopefully make life a little easier for the residents and bring some happiness to their holiday season." The Fund is currently working with the local authorities in Cranbrook and Plantagenet to ensure all donations go to those who are the most needy.

Donations can be made to the Lord Mayor’s Distress Relief Fund at Council House, 27 St Georges Terrace, Perth 6839. Enquiries can be made by phoning 9461 3261.

Further information regarding the receiving of payments through branches of Bankwest and via the City of Perth website will be available on Monday 5 January 2004.

*Enquiries and further information available from Noeline Jennings, Director Corporate Services 9461-3261. A Media Update will be issued on Monday 5 January 2004 providing details on the Bankwest and website payment options.*

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