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Jupiters Gold Coast wraps up winter blanket and bear drive



The team at Jupiters Gold Coast have joined together to help provide much-needed support for their cuddly friends at Currumbin, donating various items of comfort to keep the animals warm this winter.

Aptly named the 'Bear' Necessities Winter Blanket & Bear Drive, the Team Member-run initiative saw hundreds of towels, blankets and bears gifted in support of the property's charity partner Currumbin Wildlife Hospital Foundation.

Chief Operating Officer Mark Mackay said Jupiters was excited to be continuing to nurture and grow their budding partnership with Currumbin Wildlife Hospital Foundation through various initiatives.

"As one of Queensland's largest private sector employers, it's important our Team Members are actively engaged in making a positive impact in the community in which we work and play," said Mr Mackay.

"Currumbin has long-been a local icon and we have great respect and admiration for the important role the Hospital plays in providing vital care for sick, injured and orphaned wildlife.

"It's a cause our Team Members are extremely passionate about and by assisting the Foundation in raising much-needed awareness and funds, we hope to help preserve our native wildlife for future generations to enjoy."

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Since opening, Currumbin Wildlife Hospital has grown to be one of the busiest wildlife hospitals in the world, admitting over 8000 animals a year – a service that is provided free of charge to the community.

Each case receives the highest level of veterinary care, and following intensive treatment, the native animals are rehabilitated and released back into the wild.

Foundation Manager Katie Guerin said the generosity and support Currumbin Wildlife Hospital had received from the team at Jupiters had exceeded their initial expectations.

“We’re honoured to have established an ongoing partnership with one of the Gold Coast’s most iconic properties,” said Ms Guerin.

“Jupiters’ support in hosting last year’s Gala Dinner ensured the annual event was a resounding success and they continued their support this year as a platinum partner for our recent Sanctuary Under the Stars Gala.”

Ms Guerin said the latest initiative couldn’t have come at a better time, with more than 302 animals admitted this month alone.

“We’re forever on the lookout for towels and blankets to use within the Hospital, and the teddy bears are perfect for our orphaned koala joeys to snuggle up to.”

For more information on how you can support Currumbin Wildlife Foundation, visit <http://www.savingyourwildlife.org.au/>

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