

CHESTERTONS WINTER COAT DRIVE

23rd October – 20th November

For the 10th consecutive year, Chestertons is proud to support charity Calling London in a mission to keep London's homeless and most vulnerable warm throughout the winter. From the 23rd October until 20th November, all of our London branches will become donation points for members of the public to drop off warm winter coats and jackets.

“The impact of the cost of living crisis means the demand for winter coats is likely to be higher than ever, with many more families facing financial difficulties - so your kind donations are needed now more than ever.”
Frances Manthos, Founder of Calling London.

Items that we can accept	Items that we cannot accept
Coats of all styles	Thin rainwear/kagouls/macs
Ski jackets	Jumpers, cardigans or trousers
Gilets	Work wear
Fleeces	Shoes



Once the coat drive ends, the donations will be distributed to over 30 charitable organisations – helping the homeless, victims of domestic abuse, those living in poverty, the elderly, refugees and children.

Age UK Lambeth | Barking and Dagenham CVS | Barons Court Project | Build on Belief | Centrepont | Children's Society
Crisis at Christmas | Coyden Nightwatch | Dress for Success | Greenwich Winter Night Shelter | Hackney Winter Night Shelter
Help our Homeless | Hestia | Homestart Westminster | Lionheart in the Community | The Margins Project
North London Action for the Homeless | North London Cares | The Passage | The Pilion Trust | RAMFEL | Refuge
The Refugee Council | The Rugby Portobello Trust | SHP Homeless charity | The Simon Community
Southwark Day Centre for Refugees | St Mungo's | Suited and Booted | Their Voice | Toynbee Hall | Turning Point
The Upper Room | Vauxhall Christian Centre | Vineyard Community | West London Churches for the Homeless
Westminster Drugs Project | Women's Wellness Group | Trussell Trust Foodbanks

“Every year we see the hard struggle that people in our communities face as they struggle to survive. The donations from Calling London has been a lifeline of humanity, and sanity to hundreds of our clients from all ages and backgrounds. The smiles and the pride they feel when they are fitted for a coat is something I cannot describe, except to say it brings tears to all our eyes” Savvas Panas, CEO of Pilion Trust.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Donate: Every single warm winter coat or jacket can make a huge difference to someone this winter.
- Consider collecting coats to drop off to us: if your place of work, child's school or college, or local church can run a collection, Chestertons will provide any help and guidance you need.
- Spread the word: Please share the message across your social media, speak to your friends and family about it, and message your contacts on WhatsApp

“The jacket I got was new and it was so warm and fresh it made me proud to go to college with something new.”

Teboho, 18 yr old

“The coat made me feel safe and human.”

Dave, 34yr old

“The coat I got was a beautiful long puffer coat. It meant warmth and dignity to me. The way the staff helped me made me feel that people cared for me.”

Shirley, 54yr old