

# No child should miss out on Christmas



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A leading West Midlands housing association is raising money to bring a little bit of Christmas magic to children living in refuges.

Accord Housing Association plans to host its 10th Christmas party for families affected by domestic abuse and is asking people to help raise the vital funds needed to make this event possible.

Sahdaish Pall, Domestic Violence Service Manager at Accord said: "At Accord we provide support, information and advice to empower children and families who have experienced, or are currently experiencing domestic abuse.

"One of our commitments to these families is to hold a Christmas party for them each year. This is a wonderful event, which brings a huge amount of joy to people's lives. We are only able to do this by working in partnership with other organisations and individuals across Birmingham and the Black Country; together we can make a difference at what can often be a very difficult time of year for people. This year we are looking to host a Christmas and New Year celebration in December for 200 children and mums.

"To achieve this, we need to raise around Â£5,000 for catering, venue hire, entertainment and transport, which is why we need your help to make this Christmas a memorable one for these families."

Donations can be made to:

- Accord Housing Association, Account Number: 11161460, Sort Code: 30-80-12 with reference Children's Party 2018.
- Cheques to be made payable to Accord Housing Association

Accord manages a number of domestic abuse support services in the Midlands working with 90 families with 200 children at any one time.

In a report published by homeless charity Shelter in 2017 it found that nearly 13,000 children across Britain will have woken up homeless or in temporary accommodation.

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