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Thank you!

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Dear David,

I want to say thank you for Ward Personnel's amazing support.

Along with everyone who's involved in Cork Simon's work – our residents, volunteers and staff – I'm incredibly grateful for the generosity of you and your colleagues. In the report I've enclosed, you'll see the difference you're making to the lives of people who are homeless here in Cork.

We are blessed in having a caring community around us. We're thankful to everyone at Ward Personnel for sharing our belief that no one should have to sleep out on the streets. You understand homelessness can happen to anyone.

Because it can.

People who are homeless in Cork are our friends, neighbours and colleagues – perhaps even family members – who have fallen on hard times.

But with your support, there's a way back. In your report, you'll read about the number of people who received a hot, nourishing meal from our Soup Run and a safe place to stay at our Emergency Shelter last year.

You can also find out more about our 'Housing First' approach that can mean a vulnerable person has an opportunity to find a place to call home without delay.

Sadly, our shelter continues to be full night after night, and still people are sleeping rough in Cork. That's why as well as saying thank you I can't help adding how hopeful I am that you and your company's support continues.

In the last year, David – who you can read about in your report – turned his life around. In the year ahead, the continued kindness of you and your colleagues could help more people put years of homelessness, pain and loneliness behind them.

With thanks,



**Kerry MacMahon
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Fundraising Office**

P.S. You do so much to give people who are homeless in Cork a safe, comfortable place to stay. Is there anything you'd like to tell us about why you support our work? Whatever you'd like to share, we'd love to hear from you – just send back your thoughts on the postcard enclosed.