

IDEA:

Life Care Christmas Appeal Party

Hosting a group of people to your home or park for the purpose of raising funds for the Life Care Christmas Appeal

WHY:

The Christmas Appeal Party is a great initiative to **connect, raise funds** and **grow awareness**.

1. In a year where loneliness and isolation has been exacerbated, hosting a Christmas Appeal Party in your home or at a park is a great way to intentionally **connect** with others.
2. Hosting a Christmas Appeal Party is a great way to **grow awareness** to both the needs of those in our community, and to grow awareness of what services are on the front line.
3. Hosting a Christmas Appeal Party also **raise funds** for Life Care who are strategically positioned to love and support our local community.

HOW:

PLAN:

1. Decide as a small group whether you will partner in hosting a Christmas Appeal Party, or will do it individually. *Ensure that you abide by all the current physical restrictions and limits of people.*
2. Decide on what you will do for food. Whether you invite people to bring something to share, or you prepare the food yourself.
3. Decide who you will invite to the Christmas Appeal Party. *Take note of the organising 'TIPS'!*
4. Decide a date and time that will be best for those you are planning to invite and send an invite. *See below for some simple resources here to make fun invites and that can help describe what the party is all about.*
5. Plan the appeal conversation in advance. *See below for some simple resources to help you plan how to run the party and make the most of it.*
6. Enjoy the party!

RESOURCES:

- Invitation template (see next page)
- Run sheet ideas (see last page)
- [Life Care Appeal Video](#)

TIME:

We encourage you to do this anytime from 22nd Nov to 13th Dec

TIPS:

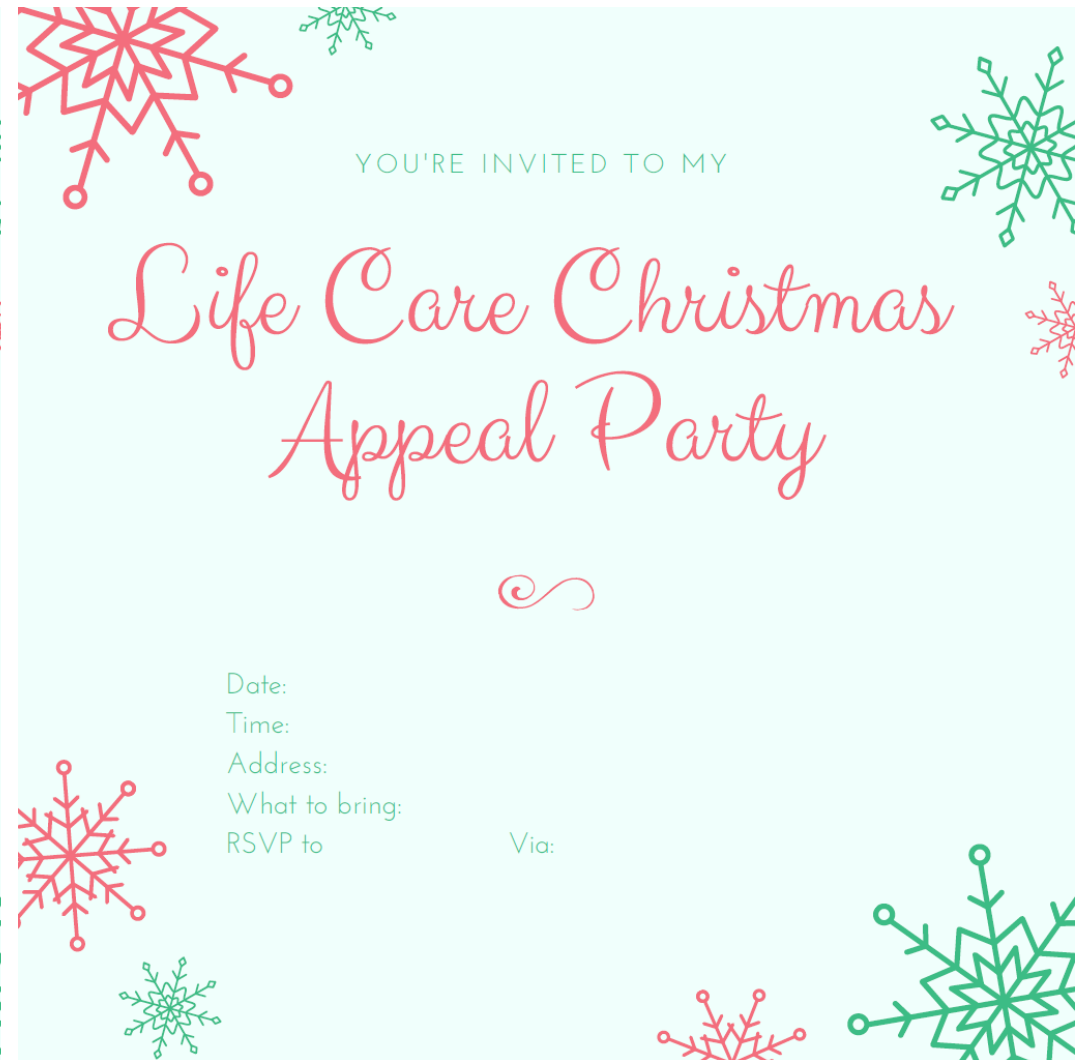
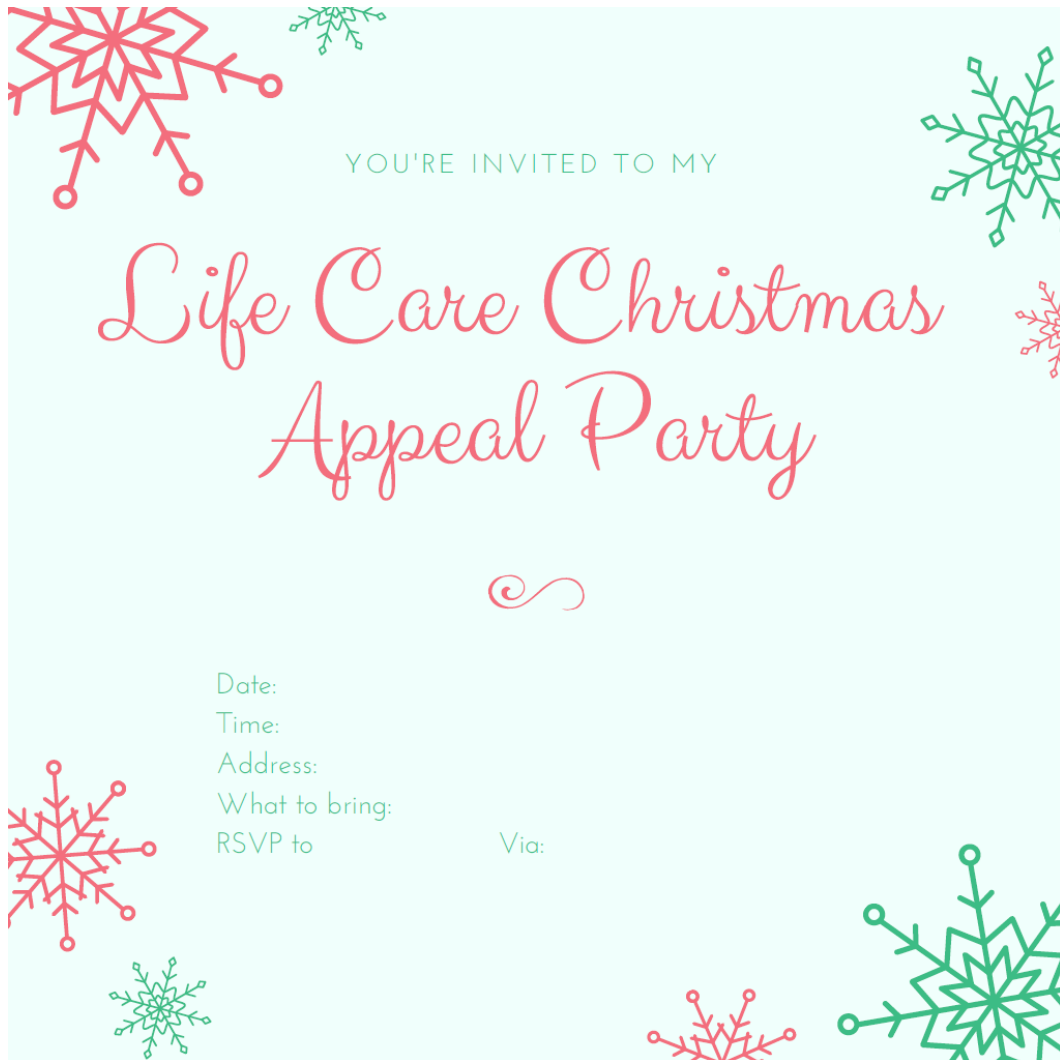
When considering who to invite to a Christmas Appeal Party, consider who you know that is not currently connected to GRLC. This is a great way to connect with them, but also to invite them to see what GRLC does.

PRAY:

We are encouraging you to pray daily in the lead up to the Christmas Appeal party. Pray for those you are planning to invite, pray for those life care is supporting, pray for God's will and kingdom to come to earth



Print, cut, write, deliver!



Potential Runsheet

(based off a 2 hour dinner party - e.g. 7pm-9pm)

TIME	WHAT
10:00am	Message guests: Let guests know how excited you are for the party and that as part of the night there will be opportunity to donate to the Life Care Christmas Appeal.
Before 7:00pm	Set up Life Care Appeal Video: Set up your tv or laptop and test the Life Care Appeal video before guests arrive.
7:00pm	Guests arrive: Connect and enjoy refreshments
7:30pm	Dinner starts: Thank everyone for coming and share the plan for the night.
8:10pm	Life Care Christmas Appeal Video: After the dinner invite guests around the tv, or laptop and share why Life Care is something you want to support through this dinner. This could be something that is passionate for you, something that you love what Life Care does, or something you have learnt during the Justice Reset Series. (this does not have to be a long speech, more a short sharing of why you hosted the dinner). Introduce and then play the video.
8:20pm	How to donate: Encourage guests to consider donating to the Life Care Christmas Appeal via the website and help join in making a difference in the Georges River community.
8:30pm	Dessert or Coffee and Tea
9:00pm	Finish