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Some are praying for winter rain, others for shelter from it.

With winter now upon us, the annual UnitingCare West Winter Appeal is underway to help people facing more hardship because of the cold and wet weather.

The Hon Fred Chaney launched this year's Winter Appeal, at an event at St Stephen's School Duncraig.

"There's a huge joy in giving, a huge joy in being involved, I commend UnitingCare West," he said.

"I think it will enable more of my fellow Australians to lead a truly human life."

CEO Sue Ash also spoke on the night, giving insight into the importance of the appeal.

"The campaign will mean that we will have more opportunity to use the resources from the Winter Appeal directly into meeting the needs of the individual people," she said.

UnitingCare West provides many services to people who need help during winter, including access to food, shower facilities and community service agencies for many of Perth's homeless.

UnitingCare West is committed to achieving justice, hope and opportunity for all, and works to support and empower in particular those most in need in the WA community.