



Dame good gesture: Year 12 Notre Dame College students present the cheque to Caroline Chisholm Society volunteers. BACK: Sophie Damon, Michael Coffey, Pat Coffey and Ellie Dowling. FRONT: Bailey McNabb, Wendy Russell, Maree Chin, Wendy Hunt and Bailee Sutcliffe. Picture: Liz Mellino

Class acts for mums

NOTRE DAME COLLEGE STUDENTS DONATE FUNDS FOR WOMEN IN NEED

By Liz Mellino

The fundraising efforts of students from Notre Dame College in Shepparton will support local mums and their families.

Students from the school's Kennedy House spent many weeks raising funds for the Caroline Chisholm Society, a not-for-profit organisation that provides support for disadvantaged women and their families.

Year 12 Kennedy House lead-

ers Sophie Damon and Ellie Dowling proudly presented a \$1000 cheque to lead practitioner Maree Chin at an assembly yesterday.

"Kennedy House isn't always the best house sports-wise in the school so we pride ourselves on being like a family... and with that we wanted to help families in need within our community," Ms Dowling said.

"We are really privileged within our lives and we forget

that there are those that are disadvantaged, so we hope we have helped change someone else's life in some way, shape or form."

Along with raising money, students also collected clothing and everyday items which will be packed up and delivered to mums in need.

Ms Damon said the fundraising initiative aimed to create conversation as well as raise awareness of what was happening within the community.

Ms Chin said the donation would go a long way towards changing the lives of those in need.

"We will use the money towards emergency support for mums through things like nappies and formula for their babies," she said.

"When we get clothes donated we don't always get underwear, so we will also use it to buy things like socks, underwear and pyjamas as well."