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Savers staff find \$32,000

By Michael Randall

STAFF at Savers in Dandenong showed the spirit of goodwill by returning more than \$32,000 they found in two pencil cases at the store.

Maree Coventry-Hearn and Loree Liston were sorting through recycled clothes and manchester purchased on con-

signment from Diabetes Australia, when they found two pencil cases full of money, and a doctor's appointment card.

They quickly reported the \$32,765 find to management who contacted Dandenong police.

Senior Sergeant Cecily Allan said the man who owned the pencil cases had died, and the

clothes and cases were part of a wardrobe donated to Diabetes Australia by his daughter.

The man's daughter was tracked down using details from the doctor's note, and all the money was returned within 48 hours of the original donation.

Senior Sergeant Allan said the daughter, a mother of three young children, was quite

emotional and overwhelmed by the find.

The police officer was delighted by the good news story, which featured integrity, honesty, community spirit and a happy ending.

The entire Dandenong Savers store team has been presented with a certificate, and an afternoon tea was hosted to celebrate

the team members' honesty and values. Ms Coventry-Hearn and Ms Liston, were financially rewarded by Savers Australia, and it is understood the team members involved may be further rewarded by the family.

The \$32,765 discovery set a new record for money found within the global Savers organisation.

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