

# Don't dump it



**Load of rubbish: James, Hamish and Geordie Gill, of 1300Rubbish, are helping Mission Australia to collect secondhand items.**

MISSION Australia is asking residents to think twice before throwing out old linen, couches and used clothes this month.

The charity wants to collect secondhand items, which it will then distribute among disadvantaged individuals and families across the country.

While many people use council services or hire trailers to remove unwanted items, Mission Australia is encouraging people to use a new service – 1300RUBBISH – which will take unwanted household goods and collect any items on Mission Australia's wish list.

“The new year can be tough on struggling families and individuals so goods like these

can make a big difference,” said Narelle Campbell, Mission Australia's national manager for income development.

“Because of the expense we can't operate our own secondhand goods collection service. 1300RUBBISH provides support to us free of charge and they donate \$1 from every job to Mission Australia's Missionbeat and the Mission Australia Centre, two of our most important housing support initiatives.”

Mission Australia is looking for blankets, linen, towels, pillows, crockery, electrical goods and toiletries. Phone 1300RUBBISH or visit [www.1300rubbish.com.au](http://www.1300rubbish.com.au) for more information.