

Help for Hohepa

The money gleaned from all plastic bags sold at the Barrington St Warehouse over the past month has been put towards a donation for Hohepa Canterbury.

Hohepa, which has sites in Barrington and Halswell, caters for residents with intellectual disabilities. The \$2313.15 donation will help pay for a new water tank for its Barrington St site.

The February quake caused major damage to the premises, said Hohepa general manager Raymond Eberhard. "We were without water for two weeks. This tank will just secure us in the future."

The Halswell site, where daycare services were held, sustained significant damage after the September earthquake. The woodwork building had been demolished, two houses of three were still uninhabitable and residents who attended day services were using portaloos, Mr Eberhard said.

The main day care building, which was shaken off its piles in the September quake, was floated back into place last week. This involved the ground being filled with a foam-like substance that allowed the structure to be moved.