

Your February Sector News Update from **Volunteering Victoria**

Volunteering Matters

News for members & stakeholders from
Victoria's peak volunteering body



— message from the CHIEF EXECUTIVE —

Welcome to your first *Volunteering Matters* of 2020. We are excited to present you with a multitude of matters influencing yours and our work on making Victoria the best state to volunteer / lead volunteers in Australia.

VV Update: We are delighted to start conferring our sector's leaders with their inaugural CPD post-nominal and certificate. Even more exciting is seeing several other States and Territories getting started on their CPD programs early this year.

Policy: As your peak body, advocacy is an important function we take seriously. The recent bush-fires and budget submission process allows new and existing narratives to be developed. Our work with Volunteering Australia and S/T peaks ensures we develop a consistent and coherent message with policy makers.

This year: We have an exciting calendar of events, functions, and opportunities to reveal in coming weeks and months. Stay tuned, as it is going to be a great year.

On behalf of the team, I wish you the very best with your volunteer-involvement.



Scott Miller
Chief Executive

our NEWS

Continuous Professional Development (CPD) 2020



CPD PROGRAM FOR Professional Leaders of Volunteers

We are delighted to open registrations for CPD2020.

Your feedback has been taken on board to increase the value and relevance of this important offering. Changes made to the program can be found online [here](#).

We are also starting to see CPD participants from last year using their PLV post-nominal, email badge and promoting their point of difference - great work!

Those on the wait list for the 2020 program will be sent their welcome packs by **mid-February**. Please make sure you read the updated information carefully.

Social media:

If you are posting about CPD on social media, or want to recognise a colleague who has completed CPD this year, please tag us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), or [LinkedIn](#).

>> [Register for the 2020 CPD program](#)

Volunteer Management Toolkit 2020

Exciting news! We recently redeveloped and refreshed our **Volunteer Management Toolkit**. The new toolkit is simple, easy to use and provides guidance for volunteer managers at each stage of the volunteering life cycle. It also includes:

- Hints and tips for best practice
- Useful links
- Downloadable templates

>> [Download toolkit](#)



Victorian State Budget Submission 2020-2021

As the workforce modernises, digitalisation is changing the way volunteering happens around us.” says Scott Miller, Chief Executive of Volunteering Victoria.

“It is incumbent upon us to view volunteering from a contemporary lens, understand these developments and invest in the volunteering sector accordingly”, he adds.

This submission demonstrates our support for government programs and investments in the volunteering sector over the next 12 months.

>> [Read submission](#)

Victorian State Budget 2020 -2021
SUBMISSION



Emergency Volunteering: Australian Fires

Our hearts and thoughts go out to everyone impacted. We are grateful to the thousands of selfless, dedicated, highly trained emergency services personnel working tirelessly to respond to these disasters as well as the countless volunteers working behind the scenes.



Volunteering is a very good way to help in times of need, but it is important for you to be mindful to always stop and listen first. This will ensure the right help is given at the right time in the right place.

>> [Find out how you can help](#)



— sector
NEWS —

Advocacy: Response to the Australian Government Compensation Scheme

Volunteering Australia and the State/Territory peak volunteering bodies have released a response to the Australian Government Compensation Scheme. We will advocate for an emergency service workforce which is fit for purpose.



>> [Find out more](#)

Update: Communitier Wins Award

Congratulation to Communitier for winning the World Summit Award as the Best Government & Citizen Engagement Solution in contributing towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals.



Communitier assists organisations connect with like-minded people in the sector, collaborate on ideas and provide support with employee volunteering opportunities.



>> [Find out more](#)

Resource: Guide to Emergency Volunteer Management

Following the terrible Australian bushfires, the team at Rosterfy have pulled together a guide to Emergency Volunteer Management, which provides some simple solutions to ensure that organisations are not only effectively engaging their workforce but that their volunteers are being recognised and rewarded accordingly.



>> [Read guide](#)

E-Book: Top 20 Ideas in Volunteer Engagement

Find out what thought leaders and peers are thinking when it comes to volunteer engagement.

>> [Get your free e-copy](#)



Report: Volunteering in the Public Sector

Volunteers want to give back and make a difference. Often, and for some causes in particular, the



This report aims to shed more light on public sector volunteers and focuses on particular aspects of their experience, including their motivations and relationship with paid staff, with a view to informing practice and policy in this area.

>> [Read report](#)

Research: Volunteer Management Progress Report

This report addresses top challenges for leaders of volunteers, training requirements for volunteers, technology use in the sector, salary and budget trends and much more!



>> [Read report](#)

Event: National Volunteering Conference

When: 18 - 20 March 2020

Where: Perth

Tickets are still available for the [National Volunteering Conference](#). The last conference in Sydney hosted over 500 guests.

This year, the conference challenge delegates to leverage the diversity of the volunteering sector and harness its power to address some of the most significant issues faced by the community.

>> [Register here](#)



Research: The Millennial Impact Report

This report identifies key takeaways and recommendations in a way that helps nonprofits and causes better understand this exceedingly important, vibrant generation – one whose voice is rising ever louder and clearer.

>> [Read report](#)



— member NEWS —

Volunteering Victoria Membership

We assist you to lead, manage and support your volunteers more effectively to achieve your vision for volunteering in Victoria. By joining [Volunteering Victoria](#) and working with us, you help ensure there is a formidable, inclusive, and representative voice for volunteering.

Welcome new members in December and January:

Individual members:

- Kirsten Fullarton
- Kylie Semple

Full members:

- [Glen Eira City Council](#)
- [Wilson Business Services](#)

>> For more information, contact Kirsten Fullarton on 03 8327 8508 or info@volunteeringvictoria.org.au

Membership Benefits

- Grow your networks at our member only events and connect with other volunteer professionals
- Develop your skills by attending one of our highly regarded training workshops
- Provide input on our policy, advocacy and research work to shape the future of volunteering across Victoria
- Take advantage of the 30% discounts when attending training, conferences and other events
- Become a mentor, or receive a mentor to support your professional practice
- Nominate or be nominated for an award at our prestigious annual State Awards
- Share your expertise and develop your communication skills through presenting at one of our monthly webinars
- Participate in Special Interest Groups to engage and exchange practice tips and ideas, and contribute to Volunteering Victoria's strategic projects
- Promote your volunteer programs through our social media and website

>> [Download member benefit flyer](#)

For more information, contact Kirsten Fullarton on 03 8327 8508 or info@volunteeringvictoria.org.au

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Translate ▼](#)

Volunteering Victoria: Your state peak body for more effective volunteering

Want to change how you receive these emails?

You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#).

Volunteering Victoria is proudly funded by:

