

Victorian Volunteering Awards 2026

Stakeholder Communications Pack

Overview

The Victorian Volunteering Awards are organised by Volunteering Victoria in partnership with the Victorian Government to recognise and celebrate the incredible volunteers and volunteer-involving organisations in the state.

This communications pack includes communication activities to encourage nominations for the 2026 Volunteering Awards.

Key dates

Nominations open: 17 March 2026 from 12 pm (AEST)

Nominations close: 27 May 2026 at 4 pm (AEST)

Judging and selection: June – August 2026

Finalists announced: September 2026

Awards ceremony: October 2026

Key messages

Awards – General

- Run by Volunteering Victoria with the support of the Victorian Government, nominations for the 2026 Victorian Volunteering Awards are now open.
- The Victorian Volunteering Awards shine a light on the extraordinary people and organisations who make a difference every day.
- Nominate an outstanding volunteer or an organisation that involves volunteers for the 2026 Volunteering Awards today.
- There are eight categories open to nominations: four for individual volunteers and four for community organisations.
- Nominations close on 27 May 2026.
- Finalists and award recipients will come together to celebrate their achievements at a ceremony in October 2026.
- To learn more and submit a nomination, visit volunteeringvictoria.org.au/awards.

Volunteering in Victoria

- Every day, volunteers give their time and skills to strengthen our communities.

- Volunteers are at the heart of strong communities – these Awards recognise the people and organisations making it happen.
- From local initiatives to statewide impact, the Awards celebrate volunteering in all its forms across Victoria.
- The Awards shine a spotlight on the diversity of volunteering across all parts of Victoria.
- A nomination is a simple way to say thank you and recognise the impact of someone’s contribution.
- Volunteering looks different for everyone – and the Awards reflect the many ways people give their time.

EDM / Newsletter item

Subject line: 2026 Victorian Volunteering Awards – Nominations open

Lead sentence: Nominate an outstanding volunteer or community organisation today!

Body:

Do you know a volunteer who gives their time and skills to strengthen our communities? Nominate them today!

About the Awards

The Awards shine a light on the extraordinary volunteers and volunteer-involving organisations who make a difference every day. This is an opportunity to formally recognise those whose dedication strengthens communities, supports people in need, and helps Victoria thrive.

There are eight categories open to nominations.

Individual Awards:

- Volunteer Leadership Award
- Volunteer Impact Award
- Volunteer Commitment Award
- Young Volunteer Award

Organisation Awards:

- Inclusive Volunteering Award
- Volunteering Partnerships Award
- Volunteering Innovation Award
- Grassroots Volunteering Award

How to nominate


Nominations close **Wednesday 27 May 2026**.


To learn more or to nominate visit the Volunteering Victoria website [link: <https://www.volunteeringvictoria.org.au/awards/>].

Email Banner:



Social Media

Channel	Text	Tile
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