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Volunteer Award 2024

Presented by Bendigo District RSL Sub-Branch.

Volunteer of the Year recognises individuals who have demonstrated exceptional commitment, dedication, and service to their community and the organisation they volunteer for. This award acknowledges volunteers who have made a significant impact on the organisation, its stakeholders, and the broader business community.

Entry Criteria

- To enter this category, the business you volunteer for must be located in the Greater Bendigo Local Government Area
- You have volunteered within the business for a minimum of 12 months

Entry by a business does not automatically count as qualification for an individual from that business to enter an individual person category, they must be nominated separately to be eligible.

1. What specific initiatives or projects have you undertaken as a volunteer?

More information / What the judges are looking for: Tell us your volunteer story. Provide examples of these initiatives and how they have contributed positively to the work you do within your community or organisation.

2. What business skills and expertise do you bring to your volunteer work?

More information / What the judges are looking for: Provide some detail of your background and how that has lead to the volunteer work you do.

3. What motivated you to become a volunteer?

More information / What the judges are looking for: Tell us the story of the passion you have for the work that you do.

4. What measurable outcomes have you achieved throughout your voluntary work?

More information / What the judges are looking for: List specific achievements, milestones or examples, and why they are important to you.

5. What business challenges have you faced and how have you used these experiences to help others?

More information / What the judges are looking for: Provide an example of a time where you have experienced a challenge or barrier and what learnings you have applied for successful outcomes when volunteering?

6. What have you learnt from your volunteer experience and how has it benefited your personal and professional growth.

More information / What the judges are looking for: Where has your volunteer experience lead you to and how has it helped shape your personal development? This may include training and accreditations related to your volunteering.

7. Through volunteering, how have you contributed to the organisation's reputation and brand?

More information / What the judges are looking for: How do you measure this? Tell us how your work has made your organisation a better place. A story or case study may be helpful.

8. Has your volunteering work inspired others to make a difference in their communities?

More information / What the judges are looking for: Tell us how you advocate the benefits of using your business knowledge when volunteering, to encourage new volunteers. If you have an example, please share.

9. How do you demonstrate your commitment and dedication to the cause or organisation that you're supporting?

More information / What the judges are looking for: Do you provide a specific service or skill? How do you choose the organisation that you will support? Do you align your own values? If yes how do you do this? Do you have a specific outcome or milestone you choose to achieve? Provide specific examples to support this.

10. What legacy or lasting impact do you hope to leave?

More information / What the judges are looking for: Have you got a vision or personal goals that you want to achieve within the organisation/s you support? How do you want to be remembered? Is there a specific outcome that you want to see happen and be part of?