

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# The City of Hobart Recognises Volunteers

The important contribution of thousands of volunteers has been celebrated in the Volunteer Recognition Awards run annually by the City of Hobart.

The Lord Mayor, Alderman Sue Hickey said the City's program, now in its 22nd year, recognises the significant contribution of individual volunteers across Hobart.

"This reception highlights the diversity and breadth of volunteer organisations across the city and the wonderful work they do to support the community across all sectors,"

This year 49 organisations nominated volunteers to attend the annual City of Hobart Volunteer Recognition Reception.

Chairman of the Council's Community, Culture and Events Committee Alderman Bill Harvey said: "Volunteers generally receive no material reward and yet, 160,000 Tasmanians give up their time to work as volunteers every year, contributing an estimated \$4.9 billion of value to the Tasmanian economy."

"It is hard to imagine our society functioning with without the resources, time and effort that is freely contributed by volunteers," said Ald Harvey.

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