

ANNUAL REPORT

Empowering
people and
communities to
enrich WA

2025/26




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INTERNATIONAL
VOLUNTEER
YEAR 2026


volunteeringWA



WEB OF SUPPORT

by Sarah Weston

About the artist

Sarah Weston is a proud Noongar woman with family ties to Kanaeng, Ballardong and Whadjuk country. Her artistic journey is enriched by the stories of her elders, aunties, uncles and extended family, who bore witness to the Stolen Generation and are survivors. Her artwork is quirky, creative, colourful, bold and very detailed.

OUR COMMITMENT TO RECONCILIATION

In the spirit of reconciliation Volunteering WA acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the Traditional Custodians of Country throughout Western Australia. We recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and community and we pay our respect to them, their cultures, and to Elders both past and present.

Volunteering WA is committed to forging stronger relationships and a deeper respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. By acknowledging and respecting the diversity and histories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples we will continue to realise our vision for reconciliation.

We are committed to ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have a seat at the table, a voice in volunteering, opportunities for sharing knowledge, and to celebrate the unique ways in which First Nations people volunteer and better Australia's communities.

RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN – WORKING GROUP

Tina Williams (Chair)

Aaron Sutton, Founding Director, Blak Unicorn

Andrea Cole

Traci Gamblin

Dominique Hansen (Executive Officer)

Holly Hazel

Kelly Nunn

Jan Lucas

INNOVATE RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN

In 2025, we proudly launched our Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2025-2027, continuing our commitment to reconciliation by recognising, acknowledging and respecting First Nations peoples' knowledge, cultures and histories. Building on lessons learnt from our Reflect RAP, the Innovate RAP focuses on embedding reconciliation into organisational planning, strengthening existing initiatives, and deepening our understanding of how to engage with First Nations peoples in culturally safe ways.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Volunteering WA is committed to understanding, embracing and celebrating the rich and multi-dimensional experiences that shape our lives and aims to ensure that everyone who engages with us feels welcomed and included.



FIRST HIKE PROJECT

volunteers take youth from
refugee backgrounds on hiking
and camping experiences in
the Australian bush





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Volunteering WA's Annual Report and Financial Statements can be downloaded via our website volunteeringwa.org.au/key-documents

In line with Volunteering WA's commitment to sustainability the Annual Report can be found online with limited hardcopy versions available.



VOLUNTEERING WA

Established in 1988, Volunteering WA is the peak body for volunteering in Western Australia. With a membership of more than 870 volunteer involving organisations, we work in partnership with community, corporate, educational and public sector organisations to provide leadership, advancement and promotion of volunteering to achieve the greatest impact for Western Australia.

As the leading voice for volunteers and volunteer involving organisations, we work to strengthen the sector and promote the benefits of volunteering and its value in transforming and enriching the communities in which we live.

Volunteering WA proudly represents over 1.5 million volunteers across the state including 742,000 people aged over 15 who volunteer formally with an organisation or group.



MISSION

Empowering people and communities to enrich Western Australia

VISION

A society in which everyone is inspired to make a difference.

VALUES

We use our integrity in all we do and are committed to being inclusive, collaborative and innovative.

OUR STRATEGY 2025-30

Volunteering WA launched our 2025-30 Strategic Priorities. The refreshed priorities provide a framework for operational and advocacy decisions, and build on existing momentum as we continue to strengthen volunteering in Western Australia.

CHAMPION

Elevate volunteering by raising awareness and championing the sector.

COLLABORATE

Establish partnerships and initiatives that drive progress and respond to emerging trends.

STRENGTHEN

Deliver exemplary services that build knowledge and capability in the sector.

FUTURE-PROOF

Enable sustainability through a highly effective board and workforce, excellent governance, financial and business management.



CHAIR & CEO STATEMENT

As Western Australia's peak body for volunteering, Volunteering WA is proud to empower people and communities to enrich our state.

2025-26 has been another standout year for the volunteering sector. We continued to support the growth of Western Australia's 1.5 million volunteers and our membership base of over 870 volunteer-involving organisations. It is thanks to the strong relationships developed with these organisations that the needs of our sector are met now and into the future.

Volunteering WA's 2025-26 Annual Report and accompanying Financial Report reflects our commitment to serving our members and continually improving volunteering in Western Australia.

The wins captured within these pages were made possible by the passion of our team, the guidance of

our dedicated Board, and the continued support of our members and stakeholders.

Recognising the pressures of the current economic climate, we listened closely to our members' feedback and advocated on their behalf to State and Federal Government. This included establishing an Expert Reference Group whose remit is to ease the burden of volunteer checks by pursuing reforms across Working with Children Checks, NDIS, and working towards simplifying volunteer screening checks, advocating for fuel cost relief for volunteer-involving organisations. We also made recommendations to both the State and Federal Budgets, among many other initiatives, to ensure the sector's voice was heard where it matters most.

Our Corporate Volunteering program had another successful year, connecting business employees with



meaningful volunteering opportunities at for-purpose organisations. Thousands of corporate volunteers have been involved this year, and once again the feedback has been fantastic for both participants and beneficiary organisations.

Supporting volunteer professionals and managers remained a key priority throughout the year. Volunteering WA continued to deliver events and training to upskill volunteer managers, improve networks, and provide expert guidance for organisations to align their volunteer programs with best practice.

Building on this commitment, we were excited to relocate to a larger space that will enable us to better support our members, strengthen the volunteering sector and bring our community together. Designed as a place of volunteering excellence, our new premises will provide a welcoming environment to gather, learn, listen, build relationships and inspire new ideas. This milestone has been made possible through the generous support of Lotterywest, our Board and the many people who share our vision. In honour of founding leader Sallie Davies, our VIO Hub area has been named 'Davies Room' as a lasting tribute to the strong foundations she established and her enduring contribution to the growth and success of volunteering in Western Australia.

An earlier highlight in our events calendar over the period was our Volunteering WA State Conference, which was delivered in November 2025 at Pan Pacific Perth. We wish to thank the 260 delegates, 50 people who shared their expertise as speakers, and to our sponsors who helped make the event possible.

We also progressed Measuring Change, a two-year project supporting volunteer-involving organisations to understand and communicate the value of their volunteers. Through a comprehensive co-design process, the project has evolved into two complementary toolkits that are now ready for use across the sector. Responding to strong sector demand and demonstrated engagement, the next phase of the project will focus on refining and strengthening the existing toolkits, enhancing the workshop learning model, and supporting resources during the latter half of 2026.

Once again, we were proud to deliver financial support to organisations across the state, granting nearly \$900,000 in 2025-26 thanks to the generous support of Lotterywest, the Department of Social Services, RAC, Stan Perron Charitable Foundation and our own Research Grants Program. We know how vital this funding is to ensure volunteering is strong, recognised, and accessible.

We thank our volunteers, staff, members, partners, and supporters for their outstanding contribution to the year's achievements. Your contributions strengthen volunteering across WA, and we look forward to continuing this journey towards empowered communities.

Thank you for your support,

Craig Spencer | Chair

Tina Williams | Chief Executive Officer

OUR TEAM



Tina Williams
Chief Executive Officer



Alana Cox
Executive Assistant



Andrea Cole
Executive Manager
- Finance & HR



Dominique Hansen
Manager Policy
& Research



Jen Wyness
Executive Manager -
Sector Services



Tara Doyle
Senior Manager
Corporate Services



Louise Giles
Manager Training
& Development



Melanie Baker
Senior Manager Volunteer
Management Activity Program



Donnelle Curnow
Assistant
Accountant



Robert Solomon
Manager IT Services



Julie Monument
Learning & Development
Coordinator



Jan Lucas
Engagement Manager -
Volunteer Management
Activity



Meg D'Souza
Assistant
Accountant



Felicity Smith
Engagement Coordinator –
Volunteer Management



Melanie Liddell
Manager Social Impact



Emily Lees
Project Consultant

OUR VOLUNTEERS



Traci Gamblin
Deputy Chief Executive Officer



Maurene Palmer
Reception /
Administration



Glenda Gallacher
Reception /
Membership



Rosemary Van
Office Support



Catherine Kelly
Manager Corporate
Engagement



Holly Hazel
Senior Manager
Stakeholder Engagement



Amy Davenport
Corporate Engagement
Team Lead



Corina Stagg
Corporate Engagement
Coordinator



Clare McHale
Corporate Engagement
Coordinator



Jane Mason
Manager Member Engagement



Megan Hughes
Corporate Engagement
Coordinator



Kirstin Hunter
Regional Community
Engagement
Coordinator (Karratha)



Jessica Roberts
Regional Community
Engagement
Coordinator (Karratha)



Krista Mullally
Marketing and
Communications
Coordinator



Monika Takkel
Regional Community
Events Officer
(Port Hedland)



Shellene Remihana
Regional Community
Engagement Coordinator
(Port Hedland)



Karla Hitchcock
Regional Community
Engagement Team Lead
(Tom Price)



**Savannah
Spence**
Events Program
Coordinator

NETWORKS AND ADVISORIES

Volunteering WA's committees bring together experienced voices to champion the volunteering sector, raise awareness of its impact, and advocate for positive change.

VOLUNTEERING COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP

- Hon Hannah Beazley BA MLA (Minister for Volunteering)
- Craig Spencer (*Chair*)
- Tina Williams (*Convenor*)
- Dominique Hansen
- Dr Megan Paull
- Karina Chicote
- Heidi Madden
- Hannah Godsave
- Vicki Pollard
- Phil Scanlan
- Esther Bliss
- Sandra Prosser
- Dr Tina Firth
- Rahul Seth CA
- Michael Wainwright
- Elizabeth Acason (*resigned March 2026*)

CORPORATE VOLUNTEER COUNCIL

- Bankwest (Heidi Madden, *Chair* and Lily Meszaros)
- Beyond Bank (Rebecca Worthington)
- BHP (Stacey Turale, Freya Taffs from May 2026)
- Deloitte (Nienke van der Togt)
- Horizon Power (Amber Stocker)
- RAC (Dahna Stead)
- Rio Tinto (Narelle Thorne)
- Woodside (Cher Gibellini)

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

- Dr Darja Kragt, University of Western Australia, *Chair (until Nov 25)*
- Dr Megan Paull, Murdoch University, *Chair (from Nov 25)*
- Professor Kirsten Holmes, Curtin University
- Dr Eunjung Kim, Edith Cowan University
- Dr Tetiana Bogachenko, Curtin University
- Dr Peter Deverux, Murdoch University
- Jelena Auyeung, Department of Communities
- Elaine Healy, Short Back and Sidewalks
- Tina Williams, Volunteering WA
- Dominique Hansen, Volunteering WA

EXPERT REFERENCE GROUP ON VOLUNTEER SCREENING

- Kane Blackman, Good Sammy (*Chairperson*)
- Andrea King, Brightwater Care Group (*until Nov 25*)
- Tracy Watts, Brightwater Care Group (*until Feb 26*)
- Caroline Tavares, Brightwater Care Group (*from Feb 26*)
- Ghylène Palmer, Girl Guides WA
- Michelle Lekhoathy, Advocare
- Nicki Bardwell, Fair Game
- Hayden Marchetto, WA All Abilities Football Association
- Tina Williams, Volunteering WA
- Dominique Hansen, Volunteering WA

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION ADVISORY GROUP

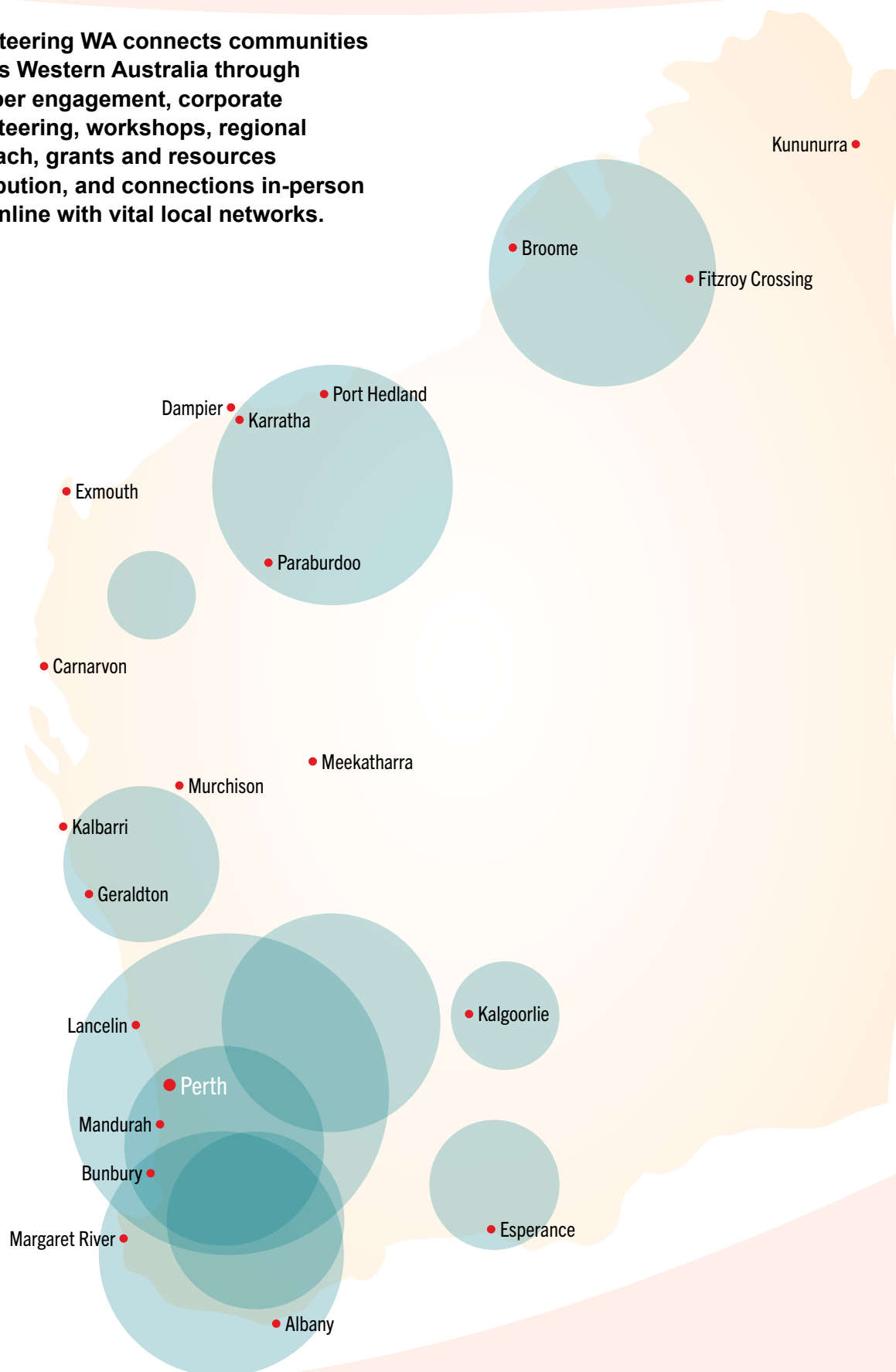
- Rika Asaoka (*Facilitator / Chairperson*)
- Andrea Moss
- Gareth Goodway
- Nasrin Marmarchi
- Ryan Honschooten
- Sabah Suleiman
- Shamara Williams
- Steph Beaumont
- Shazzy Tharby
- Anthony Pyle
- Coral Woosnam
- Dr Lynette Narkle
- Jan Lucas, Volunteering WA (Coordinator)

TERTIARY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- March Philips, Curtin University
- Krishan Shah, Curtin University
- Kim Gray, Edith Cowan University
- Donna Temptra, Notre Dame University
- Amanda Loader, South Metropolitan TAFE
- Lizzie Moorhouse, UWA Guild Volunteering
- Julie Monument, Volunteering WA

CONNECTING WITH THE SECTOR

Volunteering WA connects communities across Western Australia through member engagement, corporate volunteering, workshops, regional outreach, grants and resources distribution, and connections in-person and online with vital local networks.



VOLUNTEERING WA BOARD

We recognise and value the Board's significant leadership, expertise, and strategic stewardship in advancing and strengthening Volunteering WA's governance framework. Through their ongoing commitment, guidance, and active engagement, the Board has played a pivotal role in driving governance excellence, implementing robust governance practices, and enhancing organisational effectiveness, accountability, and policy development across the organisation.



Craig Spencer
Head of Volunteer Engagement
St John WA
Chair



Pat Scally
IT and Business Executive
Deputy Chair
(Until October 2025)



Natalie Sangalli
CEO, Dress for Success WA
Deputy Chair
(Joined October 2025)



Justine Colyer AM
CEO, Rise Network
Deputy Chair
(Joined October 2025)



Vivian Molan
Senior Executive -
WA Public Sector
Board Member



Libby Hewton
Vice President -
Treasury & Insurance, Woodside
Treasurer



Karess Dias
Solicitor State Solicitor's Office
Board Member (Youth Director)
(Until October 2025)



Professor Gary Martin
CEO, Australian Institute
of Management WA
Board Member



Craig Hollywood
Founder and Board Director,
Short Back & Sidewalks
Board Member



Matthew Pham
Vice President, Rotary Club
of Elizabeth Quay
Board Member



Ali Martin
Department of the Premier
and Cabinet of WA
Board Member
(Until December 2025)

OUR PEOPLE

believe in the power of volunteering for organisations that create positive change for the communities in which we live



Some of the organisations and causes our team volunteer across include:

Camp Quality, Heartkids, Leading Youth Forward, Little Things for Tiny Tots, Reconciliation WA, POOPS WA, Teach Learn Grow, Manning Men's Shed, and Wheelchairs for Kids

2025/26

AT A GLANCE

OUR DELIVERY AND PERFORMANCE



ELEVATE AND CHAMPION VOLUNTEERING



1 Million+

people reached through digital storytelling.



Increased advocacy for streamlining Volunteer Screening Checks with the WA Government.

\$850,000+ in grant funding distributed to volunteer-involving organisations, thanks to key partners:



\$335,000 National Volunteer Week grants to 224 organisations, thanks to Lotterywest support.



\$20,000 in grants to facilitate volunteering research, supported by Volunteering WA.



\$500,000 to strengthen volunteer management, and increase volunteer participation, through the Australian Government Department of Social Services' Volunteer Management Activity.



BUILD STATEWIDE CONNECTIONS



1,388

volunteers and leaders attended community and sector events to strengthen volunteering.



871

member organisations across WA.



Investment in Volunteering Hub to strengthen our sector in the decades to come.



STRENGTHEN SECTOR CAPABILITY AND KNOWLEDGE



574

volunteer-involving organisations developed skills through training and workshops.



8

newly designed workshops developed in response to sector needs.



62

metro and regional volunteer-involving organisations took part in the co-design of *Measuring Change*.



DRIVE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN VOLUNTEERING



353

corporate volunteering days delivered for 103 different organisations.



15,327

hours of corporate volunteering for members.



1,246,711

volunteers registered nationally on volunteer search platform, VIKTOR.

7,404

volunteer-involving organisations supported by VIKTOR.

Ronald McDonald House WA

volunteers support families with ill or injured children, so they don't have to deal with the medical journey alone.

amazing person!





CHAMPION

Promoting volunteering and creating opportunities for participation and partnerships.

Aligned with the National Strategy for Volunteering 2023–2033, Volunteering WA continues to champion the volunteer experience, making sure volunteering is safe, impactful, inclusive, and valued as essential to community wellbeing. In 2025-26, we focused on delivering key outcomes for the sector through strategic communications, advocacy to State and Federal Governments, and sector events that inspire ongoing participation.

In this section:

- Celebrations and marketing
- WA Volunteer of the Year Awards
- Volunteering WA State Conference
- Advocacy



PROMOTION AND CELEBRATION OF VOLUNTEERING

It was another landmark year for Volunteering WA's marketing, communications and events as we found new ways to support, celebrate and amplify volunteering across the state.

International Volunteer Year

2026 has been an especially exciting year for the sector, as the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed it the International Year of Volunteers for Sustainable Development (IVY 2026). It is a powerful opportunity to celebrate, mobilise and elevate the contributions of volunteers across WA. Volunteering WA embraced the movement, weaving the IVY 2026 story through our website, publications and campaigns, and launching an IVY Ambassadorship social media campaign to inspire more Western Australians to get involved. We wish to thank our IVY Ambassadors Annabelle Blewett, Livy Hayes, Tina Firth, Amy Pang and Jesryl Santos for helping carry that message forward.

National Volunteer Week

National Volunteer Week is Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteers, an opportunity to recognise the people who give back to their communities. Acknowledging 2026 is International Year of the Volunteer, this year's National Volunteer Week theme was "Your Year to Volunteer". This year saw a record number of organisations apply for volunteer celebration grants, a sign of just how much the week means to the sector. Thanks to support from Lotterywest, 224

WA volunteer-involving organisations shared in over \$335,000 through Volunteering WA's 2026 National Volunteer Week Grants, giving them the means to recognise their volunteers.

International Volunteer Day Garden Party

Volunteering WA's beloved International Volunteer Day Garden Party grew even larger in 2025. Hosted in the glorious gardens of Government House with the generous support of the McCusker Foundation, the event is an opportunity to celebrate the power of volunteering with guests from across the state. More than 750 volunteers gathered to mark the occasion; and were welcomed by addresses from His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM, Governor of Western Australia; Mrs Darrilyn Dawson; the Honourable Hannah Beazley MLA, Minister for Volunteering; and Volunteering WA CEO Tina Williams.

Print and broadcast media

To extend our reach beyond our own channels, Volunteering WA secured editorials and interviews with a range of media outlets, including 7News, Channel 9, ABC Radio, WA Today, PerthNow, the Kimberley Echo, Noongar Radio, and Mix 94.5. These opportunities helped share the stories of incredible volunteer-involving organisations with a broader audience, shining a spotlight on Cat Haven, Good Sammy, Prepare Produce Provide, Man Up, and Marine Rescue Derby, among others.



NATIONAL REPRESENTATION

National Awards

Volunteering WA had the privilege of co-hosting the inaugural Australian Volunteer of the Year Awards at Government House in Canberra, where the first Australian Volunteer of the Year was crowned. We were pleased to join the Governor-General of Australia, her Excellency Sam Mostyn, the Volunteering Australia team, and the state and territory volunteer finalists.

We were so proud to be there with WA's finalist, Brian Gallop ASM OSTJ from St John WA. Brian was our 2025 WA Volunteer of the Year in recognition for his amazing 30 years of service in emergency response, volunteer training, and much more. Volunteering WA wishes to congratulate the state and territory finalists and the Australian Volunteer of the Year recipient, Dr Felix Ho ASM OAM from the Northern Territory.

National Conference

Volunteering WA attended Volunteering Australia's National Volunteering Conference this year, which was held from 16-18 June at Adelaide University's National Wine Centre. Under the theme *Innovation and Impact: Reimagining Volunteering*, our team contributed to important conversations on topics including corporate volunteering, measuring volunteer impact, and volunteer management training.

Several themes emerged that mirror Volunteering WA's own priorities. Sessions on volunteer insurance and screening reinforced the national push for affordable insurance, free and streamlined screening, and the introduction of a volunteer passport.

It was a fantastic opportunity to connect with volunteer leaders, researchers, government representatives and community organisations from across the country, sharing ideas and solutions to shape the future of volunteering in Australia.

2025 VOLUNTEERING WA STATE CONFERENCE

The 2025 Volunteering WA State Conference was our largest yet, with almost 300 delegates attending over the two days, including 50 speakers from across the State who shared their ideas, passion, and expertise, as we explored the theme *From Ideas to Impact*.

The Conference program was packed with keynotes, discussions, and workshops analysing the latest volunteering research, trends, techniques, and case studies to help volunteer-involving organisations make the greatest impact in the community.

Our thanks to the speakers who shared their valuable insights and expertise:

- **Alecia Hancock**
- **Andrea King** – *Brightwater Care Group*
- **Andy Lamb**
- **Anna MacGillivray** – *Justice Connect*
- **Bankwest**
- **Bec McLevie** – *Investing In Our Youth*
- **Beyond Bank**
- **Chiara Bevan** – *Teach Learn Grow*
- **Deloitte**
- **Dr Catharine Phillips** – *Department of Fire & Emergency Services*
- **Dr Megan Paull** – *Murdoch University*
- **Fleur Allen** – *Ask Fleur*
- **Gab Major & Julian Canny (Co-Founder)** – *Euphorium*
- **Greg Hebble & Br. Olly Pickett** – *Wheelchairs For Kids*
- **Jane Hamilton** – *Scouts WA*
- **Jimmy Murphy** – *Town Team Movement*
- **Joel Pember** – *Juicebox*
- **Jordan Steiner** – *Oxfam*
- **Karen Giles**
- **Karen O'Connor** – *Cycling Without Age*
- **Katherine Sugars** – *Murdoch University*
- **Kimberley Ellis & Ciara Cooney** – *Inclusion Solutions*
- **Lindsey Hershman** – *AI Access*
- **Maisara Muzaffar** – *YouthsOnly*
- **Martin J Cowling**
- **May Bowden** – *Vincent de Paul Society WA*
- **Melanie Liddell & Emily Lees** – *Volunteering WA*
- **Ros Thomas**
- **Sharon Wood-Kenney** – *Warkinyin Bidi Collective Consultancy*
- **Sheila McHale AM JP**
- **Siena Laing & Saima Khan** – *Kin Disability Advocacy*
- **Tania Mettam** – *Sapien Dynamics*
- **Vidiyan Ravindran** – *Leading Youth Forward*
- **Warren Campbell** – *Marketing Why*

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Department of Communities

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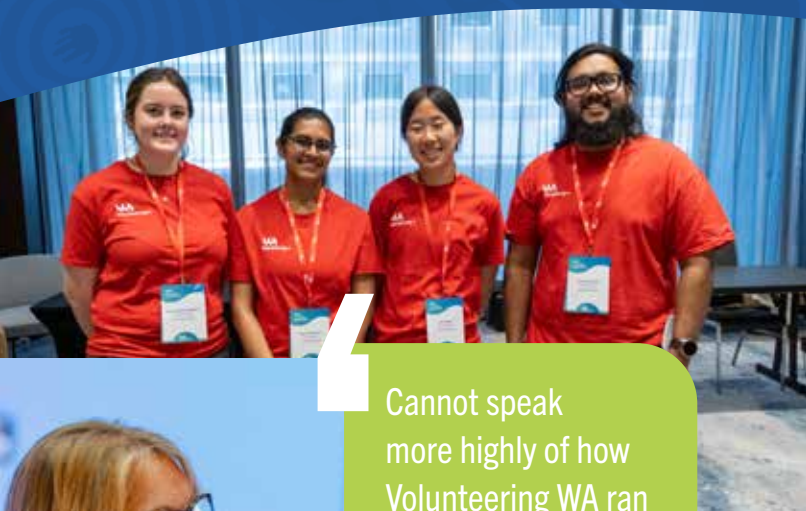


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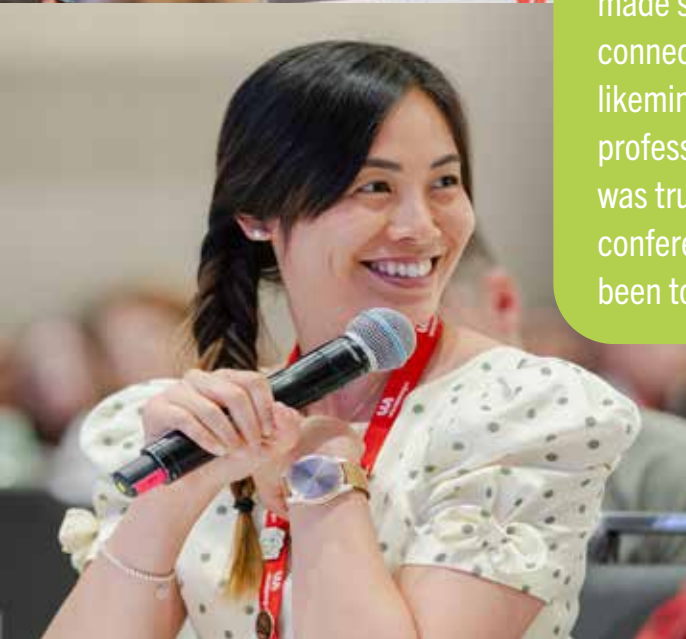
“Cannot speak more highly of how Volunteering WA ran this conference. I do lots of conferences throughout the year and Volunteering WA’s is always top tier in terms of organisation and engagement.”



“The Volunteering WA Conference is always good, but I think it was elevated this time. The speakers I heard were all relevant and left an impression and learnings. It was a very good mix of challenging topics and uplifting stories. 10/10.”



“I left the conference feeling so inspired, passionate and having made so many new connections with likeminded community professionals. It was truly the best conference I’ve ever been to.”





WA Volunteer of the Year Awards 2026

Held each year in May to celebrate National Volunteer Week, the WA Volunteer of the Year Awards are an opportunity to recognise outstanding members of the volunteering sector who go above and beyond for their communities.

Seven incredible volunteers, volunteer-involving organisations, and managers were recognised for their contributions and named the 2026 WA Volunteer of the Year Award recipients on 14 May, in front of 320 of their peers. Winners were announced alongside special addresses from His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM, Governor of Western Australia; and the Hon Hannah Beazley MLA, Minister for Volunteering.

We were proud to celebrate the 2026 Award Recipients – among them historians, legal support, and champions of mental health and welfare – who exemplify the highest standards of service and altruism.

Thank you to the 2026 WA Volunteer of the Year Award Sponsors for their generous support.

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AWARD RECIPIENTS

WA Excellence in Volunteer Management

Tanya Healy | Prepare Produce Provide
Presented by Beyond Bank

WA Inclusive Volunteering Award Befriend

Presented by the Minderoo Foundation

WA Lifetime Contribution to Volunteering

The late Lin Doust | The Y WA (YMCA WA)
Presented by Advocare

WA Corporate Community Impact Award

Dandelions WA & Mineral Resources
Presented by Bankwest

WA Community Volunteer Organisation of the Year

Man Up WA
Supported by Lotterywest

WA Young Volunteer of the Year

Ellie Vrankovich | Citizens Advice Bureau WA
Presented by the Stan Perron Charitable Foundation

RAC WA Volunteer of the Year

Kerrie Overell | WestAus Crisis & Welfare Services
Presented by RAC



Kerrie Overell

WestAus Crisis & Welfare Services

2026 RAC WA Volunteer of the Year

~ presented by RAC

Kerrie Overell coordinates WestAus Crisis & Welfare Services's Healthy Breakfast Club, Refresh Showers, and Christmas Hamper program, delivering tens of thousands of meals and supporting thousands of vulnerable people annually. She manages volunteers, sources donations, and ensures programs run smoothly, providing essential support and dignity to the Peel Region community.

Ellie Vrankovich

Citizens Advice Bureau WA

2026 Young Volunteer of the Year

~ presented by the Stan Perron Charitable Foundation

Ellie supports callers with legal issues and training as a Criminal Injuries Compensation Help Assistant. She independently created the CIC Handbook to simplify the claims process and contributed coding skills to the Safe Response Toolkit for The STOP Campaign.



CHAMPION VOLUNTEERING



Advocacy and Policy

Volunteering WA's policy and advocacy work is focused on creating the conditions for volunteering to thrive. By listening to members, stakeholders and volunteers, we build a clear understanding of the challenges facing the sector and identify opportunities to strengthen the volunteering experience across Western Australia.

These insights inform our regular engagement with the Hon. Hannah Beazley MLA, Minister for Volunteering; and the Volunteering Community Reference Group, where we raise key policy issues and advocate for solutions that better support volunteers and volunteer-involving organisations.

As an ambassador and leading stakeholder for the National Strategy for Volunteering, Volunteering WA also works closely with Volunteering Australia and State and Territory Volunteering Peak Bodies to ensure Western Australian perspectives are represented in national conversations and federal policy advocacy.

Volunteer Checks

This year, Volunteering WA's major policy and advocacy focus was working with State and Federal governments to make volunteer screening checks simpler, more accessible and free for volunteers.

A key achievement was the establishment of the WA Expert Reference Group for Volunteer Screening in August 2025, following endorsement of ten recommendations by the Volunteering Community Reference Group. Chaired by Good Sammy's CEO, the Expert Reference Group brought sector leaders together to advise government and help reduce barriers to volunteering.

The group met five times, supported submissions, gathered sector feedback and case studies, and contributed to progress on more streamlined, digital screening processes.

This work helped inform the State Government's fully digitised renewal process for NDIS volunteer screening checks, with an online Working with Children Check application process also underway and expected by the end of October 2026.

The next focus is a fully digitised NDIS volunteer screening application, reducing the need for in-person licensing centre visits and improving access for regional and remote volunteers.

In parallel, the Expert Reference Group has continued to assist Volunteering WA advocate for national level volunteer worker screening check reforms.

A Proposal for a Multicultural Act for Western Australia

During the reporting period, Volunteering WA made an online submission to the Office of Multicultural Interests supporting the proposal for a Multicultural Act for Western Australia, reinforcing our commitment to an inclusive volunteering sector that reflects and supports WA's diverse communities.

The Impact of Fuel Supply on Volunteering

Earlier in the year, we worked with our members, the Western Australian Council of Social Service, and Volunteering Australia to advocate at state and federal levels on the impact of fuel supply pressures on volunteering. This collaborative advocacy helped secure additional funding for Western Australian food relief organisations.

Our Campaign on Volunteer Insurance

As part of our ongoing advocacy, we expanded on our State Budget Submission by contributing to Volunteering Australia's submission on volunteer insurance to the federal parliamentary inquiry into Small Business Insurance. The submission highlighted gaps, inefficiencies and inequities in the current system, and called for affordable, consistent and quality volunteer insurance products, supported by transparent reporting of de-identified claims data to inform better service delivery.

Our Advocacy on Disability-Related Issues

Alongside our work to streamline NDIS volunteer screening checks, Volunteering WA contributed to

Volunteering Australia's federal submissions on disability-related reforms, helping ensure the potential impacts on volunteering were considered.

This included submissions on the Disability Discrimination Act Review in November 2025 and the National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Securing the NDIS for Future Generations) Bill 2026 in June 2026.

Through our ongoing engagement with members and the broader sector, we have achieved a great deal and will continue to progress this important work to ensure volunteers are supported now and into the future.





zero2hero volunteers empower young heroes to become mental health leaders and help prevent suicide in Western Australia.



COLLABORATE

Establish partnerships and initiatives that drive progress and respond to emerging trends.

Through partnerships with organisations across the state, corporate volunteering programs that connect employees with causes that matter, and a membership community built on years of shared purpose, we work alongside the sector to strengthen volunteering from the ground up. Our collaborative work is focused on one thing: achieving positive outcomes for volunteering across Western Australia.

In this section:

- Corporate volunteering
- Membership
- Long-standing members

COLLABORATE

94%



of corporate volunteers
reported a sense of
wellbeing and happiness
from the program

Corporate Volunteering

Volunteering WA delivers a trusted and professional corporate volunteering program that connects businesses with meaningful opportunities to support communities across Western Australia. By partnering with community organisations, the program enables employees to step beyond their everyday roles and contribute their time and skills to projects that create impact.

In 2025–26, Volunteering WA partnered with 103 community organisations across Perth, Bunbury, Hedland, Karratha, Leinster, Newman, Pannawonica, Paraburdoo and Tom Price, facilitating corporate volunteering experiences that strengthened local organisations and the communities they serve.

We are proud of the positive outcomes delivered through our corporate volunteering program and remain committed to expanding opportunities for businesses to give back, supporting stronger, more connected communities across Western Australia.



353

volunteer days



3,857

corporate volunteers



103

organisations supported



15,327

volunteer hours



\$735,849+

in value to community

“

This service has enabled us to expand our reach to those in need by efficiently managing large scale orders, such as our Back-to-School program, which require additional hands to complete. It has also provided a valuable opportunity to engage with companies and individuals who may not otherwise have been aware of the work we do, had they not participated through Volunteering WA. We are truly grateful for this partnership and the positive impact it continues to create within our community.”

~ Dandelions WA

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It was a fun and motivating experience. Seeing my peers working with such effort and enthusiasm for a noble cause was also heartwarming.” ~ Corporate Volunteer

MEMBERSHIP

Our members are fundamental to our mission and our ability to influence and strengthen volunteering. They connect us to volunteers within their organisations and across the wider community, provide valuable insight into the challenges and opportunities facing the sector, and strengthen our collective voice as the peak body for volunteering.

Growing and Retaining our Membership

We are committed to retaining and growing our membership each year and are pleased to report that total membership across all categories increased to 871, up from 849.

We welcomed more than 50 new members during the year, with the strongest growth coming from the medium (\$500K–\$1.5M) and large (\$5M+) membership tiers.

Importantly, our strong membership growth has been accompanied by improved retention. Average retention across all not-for-profit full membership categories increased to 91%, up from 89% last year. Based on this retention rate, the average membership tenure is 11 years.

Listening to our Members

Our annual member survey provides an important barometer of how effectively we are responding to member needs and delivering value.

Responses to the November 2025 member survey demonstrate strong confidence in our role in supporting and strengthening the volunteering sector:

90% agree or strongly agree that Volunteering WA raises awareness of the value of volunteering in the community, driving participation.

90% agree or strongly agree that Volunteering WA builds sector capability through knowledge, resources and services.

The Value of Membership

Our members tell us that the value of membership extends beyond resources and services. It is also about connection — having access to a network of peers, experience and expertise that can help organisations strengthen their own impact.



Volunteering WA provides exceptional support and resources that directly benefit volunteer-involving organisations like ours. Their guidance, training opportunities, and sector updates have been invaluable in helping us strengthen our volunteer engagement and management practice.”

~ Member



Long-standing Volunteering Members

Organisations with 20+ Years of Membership

Volunteering WA would like to recognise the long-standing members who have supported us as members for over 20 years.

- Amana Living
- Bethanie Group Inc.
- City of Bayswater
- City of Swan Community Care
- EdConnect Australia
- Meerilinga Children and Community Services
- Motor Neurone Disease Association (WA)
- Radio Lollipop (Australia)
- Southcare Inc
- Cancer Council WA
- Citizens Advice Bureau of WA
- City of Belmont
- City of Stirling
- Darling Range Wildlife Shelter
- Foodbank WA
- Lifeline WA
- Melville Cares Inc
- People Who Care
- Save the Children
- Vinnies

Looking Ahead

As we look to the year ahead, we will continue to strengthen the value and experience of membership. Our priorities are to:

- Enhance recognition of key membership milestones.
- Explore options for networking and peer learning/support.
- Increase member engagement and consultation on policy-related issues.

By continuing to listen to our members, respond to their needs and create opportunities for connection and collaboration, we will strengthen the collective voice and capability of the volunteering sector across Western Australia.

Citizen Advocacy volunteers are matched with a person with disability, ensuring they have a voice and access to opportunities in the community.





STRENGTHEN

Delivering exemplary services that build knowledge and capability in the sector.

Volunteering WA strengthens the sector through knowledge, capability and support for volunteer programs. Through research into volunteering, training and development to build volunteer management skills, best practice advice and resources, Volunteering WA continues to deliver services that meet the needs of the sector.

In this section:

- Research
- Training and Development
- Volunteer Management Activity
- Measuring Change



Research

We build sector knowledge by unearthing the latest trends and sharing knowledge and information with the sector.

Volunteering WA's commitment to research and data continued to grow throughout the reporting period, strengthening the evidence base that informs our work, supports our members and helps shape the future of volunteering in Western Australia. Through our Research Committee, national networks, academic partnerships and sector engagement, we connected people, ideas and evidence to better understand the changing volunteering landscape.

This work was strengthened by the leadership and contribution of Life Member and long-standing Research Committee member Associate Professor Megan Paull, who continued as Co-Chair of the National Volunteer Research Network and later took on the role of Research Committee Chair from Dr Darja Kragt. Together, these touchpoints helped connect local priorities with national research conversations and ensured sector insights continued to guide our priorities.

A highlight was the Volunteering WA Research Network event, which brought together 27 researchers and volunteer managers at Curtin University's Future of Work Institute, with participation from Perth and regional locations including Broome, Bunbury, Esperance, Geraldton and Northam. The event created an important space for collaboration and learning, featuring updates on Volunteering WA-supported research into rural volunteering, AI adoption, family influence on volunteering participation and informal volunteering in local communities. We also continued to share research in practical and accessible ways through our biannual

Research Digest and e-newsletters, helping translate findings into insights that can be used by volunteer-involving organisations across the sector.

Our Research Grants program continued to demonstrate Volunteering WA's commitment to research-informed decision-making. Since its establishment in 2021 with Board support, the program has awarded 10 volunteering research grants and supported a multi-year Australian Research Council (ARC) Linkage Grant partnership. In 2025/26, two new grants were awarded to projects exploring health and safety in volunteer services and evidence-based strategies to strengthen environmental volunteering in Western Australia.

Dr Lili Loan Vu, and her team at Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre completed and published *Family Influence on Volunteering Participation in Western Australia* at the end of June 2026. Funded by Volunteering WA this research project analysed 22 waves of Household Income and Labour Dynamics Data to identify how parental behaviours, housing tenure, and demographic characteristics shape the volunteering habits of Australians across five generational cohorts.

The research finds that exposure to volunteering in childhood and early adolescence, along with parents' current volunteering, makes people more likely to volunteer. The effect is significant – about one-third of average volunteering participation and weekly volunteering time.

The results highlight the powerful role of family influence and early exposure to volunteering, and supports programs that encourage volunteering across generations, helping build stronger volunteering habits, grow future participation and strengthen community connection in Western Australia.



Training and Development

We build the capability of the volunteering sector by providing practical services, expert advice and targeted training.

Volunteering WA delivered a comprehensive program of education and training designed to strengthen sector capability and support volunteer-involving organisations in responding to emerging issues and addressing operational, governance and workforce challenges.

A key focus was placed on strengthening organisational sustainability and resilience. Sessions on succession planning, risk management, governance and strategic role design helped volunteer managers adopt long-term approaches to leadership development, knowledge transfer and organisational continuity, plan for change maintain stability and momentum through volunteer turnover.

Training also included in-depth sessions aligned with the National Standards for Volunteer Involvement, helping participants understand and implement best-practice approaches across all aspects of volunteer engagement. Topics covered volunteer recruitment, support and development, safety and wellbeing, diversity and inclusion, governance, and volunteer retention.

In addition, Volunteering WA continued to support peer learning through Volunteer Manager Network meetings and focus groups, enabling participants to share experiences, discuss challenges and build professional networks.

What's coming up in 2026-27?

Looking ahead, Volunteering WA will expand education and training offerings to address emerging challenges and opportunities within the volunteering sector. A key focus will be on strengthening volunteer leadership, building organisational resilience, and supporting volunteer managers to adapt to changing community needs and workforce trends.

In addition, we are excited by the opportunities the new Volunteering WA Community Hub will create, providing a dynamic space for our members to connect, learn, collaborate and strengthen their impact across the sector.



29

Calendar Workshops



647

Participants

Volunteer Management Activity

Volunteering WA proudly works in partnership with the Australian Government Department of Social Services to deliver the Volunteer Management Activity (VMA). The program exists to build the capacity of volunteer-involving organisations through the delivery of volunteer management services and increasing participation in volunteering.

Below, we share some of the year's key highlights, developments and achievements for the sector, including (but not limited to):

National Rollouts

- The GROUND project, a comprehensive Toolkit supporting micro volunteer-involving organisations and groups.
- The Volunteer Involvement Cycle - Ran an education campaign for this resource, which provides a valuable journey framework to help guide volunteer involvement from start to finish.

WA Key Outcomes

- Showcased 16 project partner case studies demonstrating unique pilots to advance volunteering, with project videos and FAQs published on the Volunteering WA website.
- Advanced Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Advisory Group activities. Highlights included VMA Showcase co-design, project grant reviews, practical resources and training.
- Connected regional rural and remote Community of Practice in partnership with Volunteering SA/NT.
- Built strong cross-sector partnerships with Mission Australia and WACOSS, along with expert input from other peak bodies including Youth Affairs Council of WA.
- Engaged 428 participants through VMA online and in-person online workshops, along with 283 individual engagements with Volunteer Resource Centres and volunteer-involving organisations requiring online support with volunteer management matters.



- Provided 283 individual support engagements with Volunteer Resource Centres and volunteer-involving organisations seeking guidance on volunteer management.

What's coming up in 2026-27?

At the completion of this five-year term, the VMA has undergone a review by the funder Department of Social Services, with the activities of both national and jurisdictional teams achieving some good outcomes with improved nationally consistent resources and more accessible and inclusive volunteering across jurisdictions. Funding will continue for another five years, with Volunteering Australia also stepping in to co-ordinate reporting and activities at a national level.

Funding for organisations to deliver inclusion projects

Over the period Volunteering WA provided grants to volunteer-involving organisations which aligned with key Volunteer Management Activity outcomes distributing \$500,000 to the following organisations:

Kimberley Aboriginal Women's Council

The Ripple Effect project focuses on listening, relationship building and understanding each region. This involved connecting with women across communities to map existing collectives, identify gaps, and understand how First Nations women are already coming together.

Volunteer South West

EMPOWER offered women a safe environment to learn about volunteering and build skills at their own pace. It addressed challenges such as low self-confidence, social isolation, and limited community connections

Umbrella Multicultural Community Care Services

Bridge to Belonging is a peer-led multicultural volunteer hub supporting Culturally and Linguistically Diverse and LGBTIQ+ volunteers, with a focus on newly arrived migrants, vulnerable women, and unemployed individuals.

Mettle Women

Mettle Together is a peer-mentorship volunteer program helping women into stable work, supporting women currently experiencing homelessness due to family and domestic violence.

Peel Volunteer Resource Centre

Socialability supports people who face barriers to volunteering to be recognised for their capabilities, and supports organisations to create inclusive environments and practices.

\$500,000

Distributed in funding:
Volunteer Management Activity

Esperance Volunteer Resource Centre

Supported volunteer-involving organisations across the Esperance region to build the knowledge and confidence needed to engage young people in meaningful and age-appropriate volunteer roles.

Albany & Regional Volunteer Service

Improved the Ability in Action Inclusive Volunteering Advisory Committee through training, mentoring and more.

Measuring Change

Measuring Change is a two-year project that aims to build capacity of the volunteer sector to measure and communicate the outcomes and impact of volunteer activities.

While many organisations were already collecting data on volunteer participation and activity statistics, early sector consultation highlighted a strong appetite for practical approaches to measuring broader outcomes and change created through volunteering.

“It has been a positive experience and has resulted in continued connection with involved peers. The involvement of organisations across a range of volunteer-involving services provides a good mix of viewpoints and opportunities to learn from others.”

~ Co-design participant, 2026



Through a co-design process involving organisations of varying sizes, structures and sectors, the project explored how impact measurement could be made more accessible, practical and relevant across volunteering. A key learning was that organisations were starting from very different places, requiring multiple entry points into impact measurement. In response, the project evolved into two complementary toolkits.



Foundations Toolkit -
supporting organisations new to impact measurement or operating with limited resources.



Deeper Learning Toolkit -
supporting organisations ready to develop program logic and embed impact measurement more deeply.

Supplementary resources were also developed and made available through a dedicated Measuring Change website along with a self-paced e-learning platform to support ongoing access and independent learning.



**2-year sector
capacity
building project**

36
metro
organisations
engaged

26
regional
organisations
engaged

5
peer learning
workshop
formats piloted

Key Outcomes

- Engagement with the sector through consultation, co-design, iterative reviews and information sessions.
- Delivery of co-design workshops involving 16 volunteer-involving organisations across two phases.
- Production of two final toolkits supported by supplementary resources (e.g. outcomes and indicator banks) and hosted on a dedicated website.
- Piloting of facilitated learning models – Foundations and Deeper Learning formats, reaching 46 participants from across 31 volunteer-involving across in-person and online formats.
- Progression of sustainability planning including development of Learning Management System (LMS) and exploration of ongoing delivery model options.

The next phase

The project strengthened capacity of volunteer-involving organisations by building confidence in core evaluation concepts, establishing accessible language, and supporting more intentional, outcome-focused program design. Participants reported an increased ability to identify outcomes and indicators, apply program logic, and articulate the value of volunteering beyond activity-based reporting.

Responding to strong sector demand and demonstrated engagement, the next phase of the project will focus on refining and strengthening the existing toolkits, workshop learning model, and supporting resources during the latter half of 2026. At the same time, planning and stakeholder engagement will begin for a proposed national rollout of Measuring Change through a Train-the-Trainer approach in early 2027.

Phase Two of the Measuring Change Project is supported by 



Southcare is an aged care and social support agency. Their volunteers can be found in their op shop, helping in community services or office teams, leading social groups, or helping people around the neighbourhood.



FUTURE-PROOF

Enable sustainability of our organisation through a highly effective board and workforce, excellent governance, financial and business management.

Volunteering WA strives to future-proof the organisation through effective systems and processes that drive performance and efficiency, and a workforce culture that brings out the best in our people. Behind it all is a commitment to strong governance, sound financial management, and proactively securing the funding needed to achieve our strategic goals, making sure Volunteering WA remains a sustainable and helpful force for the sector long into the future.

In this section:

- Business Operations
- Financial Report
- Grants



Business Operations

Following the successful delivery of Volunteering WA's Digital Strategy 2020–2025, the focus during 2025–26 shifted from major technology transformation to strengthening the organisation's internal operations, governance and corporate services.

Corporate Services

A major milestone was the successful relocation to new office premises, with the move completed while maintaining business continuity and establishing a modern, collaborative workspace for staff. This was made possible by generous support from Lotterywest.

Alongside the relocation, Volunteering WA:

- Improved key business systems
- Enhanced the Emergency Volunteer Platform with funding from the Department of Communities
- Continued optimisation of our CRM system
- Strengthened organisational reporting and compliance
- Introduced new wellbeing initiatives for staff.

VIKTOR: Connecting people with volunteering opportunities

VIKTOR and VIKTOR Lite are the platforms used by the volunteering sector across Australia to promote volunteer roles. VIKTOR supported volunteer-involving organisations and advertised thousands of volunteer opportunities, allowing organisations to recruit, manage and engage volunteers. VIKTOR Lite continued to

provide a simple, accessible platform for organisations requiring a streamlined volunteer management solution, while enhancements delivered during the year improved reporting capabilities and strengthened the Emergency Volunteer Platform. These platforms continue to support volunteer participation, organisational capability and the resilience of the volunteering sector.

What's coming up in 2026-27?

Priorities for 2026-27 include reviewing and improving internal business processes, increasing systemisation and automation, and ensuring corporate services are appropriately positioned to support the organisation's future growth. The phased implementation of Microsoft Copilot will commence alongside a comprehensive review of the organisation's AI policies and procedures, ensuring staff are equipped to use emerging technologies safely, responsibly and effectively. Work will also continue to strengthen cyber security, Work Health and Safety and staff wellbeing. Volunteering WA will also progress its strategic review of the organisation's technology environment will be conducted to better understand priorities and long-term sustainability.

Financial Report

Volunteering WA is pleased to share our Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2026. It was a strong year, showing careful financial management, steady growth and continued momentum in strengthening volunteering across Western Australia.

Revenue reached \$4.59 million, up 8% on the previous year, driven by a diverse mix of fee-for-service activities such as our flagship corporate volunteer program, events and government-funded programs.

We were also beneficiaries of a Lotterywest grant, which together with investment from our reserves, supported the refurbishment of our new premises and helped bring our new Volunteering WA Headquarters and Community Hub to life. This purpose-built space is welcoming, practical and creative, giving members, partners and stakeholders a place to connect, collaborate and help shape the future of volunteering.

Spending remained focused on the work that matters most in our service delivery. Direct program costs represented 18% of expenditure, staffing 59%, and office and administration costs were held at 7%, reflecting our commitment to efficiency, transparency and impact.

We also helped channel almost \$900,000 in grants to Volunteer-Involving Organisations across Western Australia, with support from the Department of Social Services, Lotterywest and Volunteering WA's Research Grant Program.

Volunteering WA finished the year with a net surplus of \$50,734. This result reflects disciplined governance, sound decision-making and our ability to keep delivering for the sector while staying financially resilient.

Key drivers included strong financial oversight, effective corporate and government partnerships, quality service delivery across our programs and events and careful management of operating costs.



Audit Governance

Volunteering WA engages Horizon Nexus Partners as its external auditor to independently review our financial systems and reporting. This process upholds the integrity of our reporting and reinforces transparent accountability to members, funders and stakeholders.

Not for Profit Status

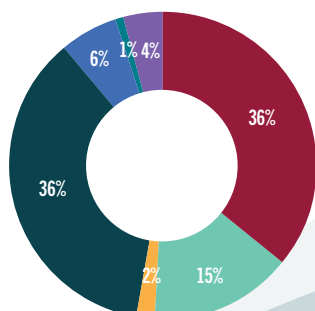
Volunteering WA operates as a not-for-profit incorporated association and holds status as a Public Benevolent Institution, reflecting our purpose-led role in serving the community and strengthening volunteering across Western Australia.

Finance, Audit and Risk Committee

Members of the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee are appointed by the Board on an honorary basis and meet five times per year. The Committee provides important oversight of financial management, audit processes and risk, supporting Volunteering WA to operate with accountability, integrity and sound governance.

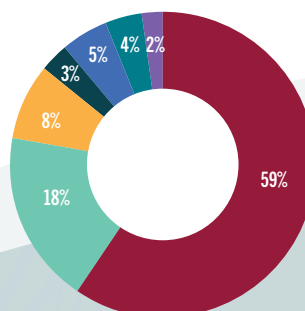
Revenue

- Government Grants
- Other Grants
- Member Services
- Corporate
- Events
- IT Revenue
- Other Income



Expenditure

- Staffing
- Program and Events
- Outgoing Grants
- Building & Insurance
- Office Relocation
- General
- Depreciation





Grants

National Volunteer Week Grants

Thanks to support from Lotterywest, Volunteering WA offers volunteer involving organisations grants to celebrate and thank their volunteers. In 2026, 224 volunteer-involving organisations across WA shared in over \$335,000 to celebrate their volunteers and shine a light on the many benefits of volunteering, through a vibrant mix of traditional and creative activities. This year we received a record-breaking 475 grant applications, a 16% increase on the previous year.

Volunteer Management Activity Grants

With funding from the Department of Social Services, Volunteering WA was proud to distribute the Volunteer Management Activity Grants. In 2025-26, we distributed \$500,000 in project-based funding to volunteer-involving organisations and Volunteer Resource Centres, improving volunteer management capabilities and inclusive volunteer participation across the sector.

Volunteering WA Research Grants

Since establishing our Research Grants Program in 2021, Volunteering WA has supported research that informs decision-making, policy and supports for the volunteering sector. In 2025-26, we awarded \$20,000 in funding to research projects to:

- *From Safety Stories to Safer Practice: Enhancing Health and Safety in Volunteer Services*, University of Western Australia
- *From Recruitment to Retention: Evidence-Based Strategies for Strengthening Environmental Volunteering in Western Australia*, Curtin University



Our National Volunteer Week event provided a rare opportunity for people of all ages, backgrounds and programs to come together in one place and see themselves as part of a larger movement of local changemakers. The night strengthened relationships between long-term volunteers, new participants, families and supporters, helping people feel valued, included and proud of their contribution to Hedland's environmental and community wellbeing."

~ Care for Hedland Environmental Association, 2026 National Volunteer Week Grant Recipient



Government of Western Australia
Department of Communities

Volunteering WA strengthens the sector by building the skills and capacity of volunteers and volunteer-involving organisations across Western Australia. This work is made possible through the ongoing support of our valued partners and supporters, allowing us to respond to the ever-increasing and diverse need for volunteers across the state.

Our grateful thanks and appreciation are extended to all our partners, supporters and collaborating stakeholders.

Patrons

His Excellency The Honourable Chris Dawson AC
APM Governor of Western Australia and
Mrs Darrilyn Dawson

Major Funders

- Department of Communities
- Department of Social Services
- Lotterywest

Corporate Volunteering Partners

- Albemarle
- Bankwest
- BHP
- IGO
- Jera Australia
- Minderoo Foundation
- Perron Group
- PLS
- Rio Tinto
- Scott Park Group
- Tattarang
- Woodside

Volunteering Peak Bodies

Volunteering peak bodies from across Australia come together monthly to collaborate and capitalise on collective resources, knowledge and capabilities





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