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NOMINATIONS OPEN

2021 VOLUNTEER EMPLOYER RECOGNITION AWARDS

The Volunteer Employer Recognition Awards (VERA) enables DFES to publicly acknowledge the important role that employers and self-employed volunteers play in the delivery of emergency services across Western Australia.

A supportive employer and flexible workplace make all the difference when it comes to enabling emergency services volunteers to train and attend emergency incidents to help protect the WA community.

Nominations are now open to recognise an employer that provides workplace flexibility for volunteer personnel or a self-employed volunteer who goes above and beyond for their community, even when it impacts their business.

That recognition and appreciation increase staff motivation and team morale and creates positive working relationships within the community.

It is also an opportunity to encourage other employers to offer greater support to employees who volunteer for emergency services.

To nominate or find out more visit [the website](#).

Nominations close at 12noon on Monday 16 August.

The VERA ceremony will be held on Friday, 5 November 2021 in Perth and a regional ceremony will take place on Friday, 12 November 2021. The regional ceremony location will be selected based on numbers of regional nominations.

For more information please contact Kate Parkey, Events Coordinator, at eventsandawards@dfes.wa.gov.au.

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