



**Greg Aplin MP**  
Member for Albury

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **NOMINATE A LOCAL VOLUNTEER**

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin, is encouraging locals to nominate community members who volunteer their time for the 2018 Premier's Volunteer Recognition Program.

"Volunteers are the backbone of our community and this program shows appreciation for their contributions," Mr Aplin said.

"Volunteers make a difference and it is important that we applaud these efforts."

"To mark National Volunteer Week, I encourage residents to recognise a volunteer they know by nominating them for the Premier's Volunteer Recognition Program."

The program acknowledges the individual efforts of both adults and students, with each nominee receiving a certificate celebrating their individual contributions.

Minister for Multiculturalism and Disability Services The Hon Ray Williams MP said the Premier's Volunteer Recognition Program celebrates the importance of volunteering.

"More than 2.1 million volunteers contribute an estimated \$5 billion of value to local communities in NSW each year," Mr Williams said.

"This program plays an important role in acknowledging and expressing gratitude for the selfless efforts of our volunteers."

There are seven categories under the program, including people with over 40 years and over 25 years of volunteer service, significant volunteering at any age, newly retired people who have commenced or continued volunteering, and three student categories.

To date, the program has recognised the hard work of more than 21,000 volunteers from across NSW.

For more information about the program or how to submit a nomination, visit:

[www.volunteering.nsw.gov.au/stories/premiers-volunteer-recognition-program](http://www.volunteering.nsw.gov.au/stories/premiers-volunteer-recognition-program)

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