

Valuing our Volunteers: Tasmania's Volunteering Strategy **2025-2030** – Community Summary

The Tasmanian Government is pleased to present Tasmania's first Volunteering Strategy

The Tasmanian Government would like to thank Volunteering Tasmania for their input into the development of the strategy. For a full copy of the strategy visit dpac.tas.gov.au or contact volunteering@dpac.tas.gov.au

Community Foreword

Mel Blake, CEO Volunteering Tasmania

Volunteering is a powerful force that strengthens Tasmania's social fabric while contributing significantly to the economy. Each year, volunteers generate immense economic value by supporting essential services and fostering community resilience and wellbeing. As the volunteering landscape evolves, it is vital that we embrace this change to ensure that participation remains accessible, valued, and impactful for all.



Volunteering Tasmania is committed to building a thriving, inclusive culture of participation by enhancing volunteering with strong leadership, education and community connection. By working collaboratively with government, organisations and community, we can improve accessibility, support volunteer wellbeing, and amplify the far-reaching impact of volunteering across Tasmania. Together, we can create a future where every act of service is recognised, supported, and celebrated.

What is the aim of the strategy?

The Tasmanian Government's aim over the next five years is to make sure that volunteers feel safe, valued and enabled.

What is the strategy?

This strategy explains how and why the Tasmanian Government is focussed on improving the experience of volunteering in Tasmania. There will also be an action plan that will describe the steps we will take alongside community service organisations, businesses and volunteers to reach our shared goals.

How did we develop the strategy?

This strategy is based on Australia's National Strategy for Volunteering 2023-33, but we also wanted to learn from Tasmanian volunteers and volunteer organisations about local issues and opportunities. In early 2025, hundreds of people involved in volunteering shared their points of view about how to improve the volunteering experience in Tasmania. This strategy reflects their feedback and their priorities for the next five years.

What we want to see	Our vision		
	Tasmanian volunteers are safe, valued and enabled		
	Our focus areas		
	Volunteer experience	Conditions for volunteering to thrive	Community impact
How we will know we are achieving our vision	Our outcomes		
	A safe, enabled and valued volunteer workforce	A successful and sustainable volunteering industry	The contribution of volunteers is recognised and celebrated
What we will do to achieve our vision	Our strategic objectives		
	Improve the volunteer experience	Enhance volunteering industry systems and conditions	Raise the profile of volunteering in Tasmania
	Enhance volunteer capacity and pathways	Support volunteer management capability	Enable community-led approaches to volunteering
	Improve access to volunteering	Increase industry collaboration	Evaluate and communicate the impact of volunteering