

Media Release

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Council calls for 2019 Australia Day Award nominations open

Do you know someone who has given outstanding service to the community? Or have you been involved in a specific community project which deserves recognition? Nominate them for the Federation Council Australia Day Awards!

Nominations are now open for 2019 Australia Day Awards which recognise and celebrate people, community organisations, projects and events in the Federation Council.

Federation Council Mayor Pat Bourke said the awards are a celebration of dedicated community members, which recognise both individuals and groups who make outstanding contributions.

"Australia Day provides the perfect opportunity for us to formally thank our people for the contribution they make," Mayor Bourke said.

"We are looking forward to getting as many nominations as we can, but what we really want is for the community to nominate all our unsung heroes that really give to the community and the projects and events that have made our community a better place."

Mayor Bourke said previous award winners have come from all walks of life and one thing they have in common is passion and dedication.

"If that sounds like someone you know, get a nomination form and nominate them today," he said.

"Most people don't ask for recognition for what they do, it takes others to make that recognition happen, and our Australia Day Awards are a perfect way to do that."

Nomination categories this year include:

Citizen of the Year Award

The Citizen of the Year Award applauds an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the wellbeing of the Federation Council community through their leadership and/or voluntary service. Contributions can be in the areas of social, environmental, business and/or arts and culture.

Young Citizen of the Year Award

The Young Citizen of the Year Award recognises a young person aged under 30 years who has given outstanding service to the community.

The Local Achiever Awards

The Local Achiever of the Year Award celebrates local heroes in each town and village who go above and beyond to make their own community a great place to live.

The Community Event of the Year Award

The Community Event of the Year Award recognises an event held in 2018 that best reflects the importance of strong community values and ties.

The Community Project of the Year Award

The Community Project of the Year Award acknowledges an individual or group who have staged the most outstanding community project during the 2018.

Nomination forms can be downloaded from Council's website, or can be collected from any of the Federation Council Customer Service Centres.

Nomination for the 2019 Australia Day Awards close 5pm on Monday 3 December 2018.

Award recipients will be announced at the official Australia Day Award Ceremony on Saturday 26 January 2019 in Mulwala.

Residents are encouraged to consider who they believe makes a difference in the community, and nominate them to be recognised for their efforts and commitment. For more information contact the Community Development Team at Council on (02) 6033 8999.

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