

Thank a Volunteer Day 2022 Grant Recipients

Organisation	Project Name	Project Description	Region
Shire of Shark Bay	Award ceremony/Sundowner	The Shire of Shark Bay will invite all community volunteers in the town of Denham to attend an award ceremony / sundowner event to publicly recognise and celebrate their contributions to the community. This event will take place in the gallery room at the Shark Bay World Heritage Discovery & Visitor Centre, with the provision of food and drinks, and the Shire President will present certificates to volunteers to thank them. For volunteers who cannot attend the event, certificates will still be printed and given to a member of each volunteer group to distribute at a later date.	Gascoyne
Ravensthorpe Community Resource Centre	Thank a Volunteer Day Sundowner	Ravensthorpe Community Resource will hold 'Thank a Volunteer Day Sundowner' featuring live music and delicious food at a much-loved community venue, all in honour of the 200+ volunteers that make this event happen.	Goldfields/Esperance
Shire of Esperance - Volunteer Resource Centre	Morning Tea for Esperance Volunteers	The Shire of Esperance - Volunteer Resource Centre will be providing a morning tea open to all Esperance Volunteers. Each volunteer in attendance will receive a complimentary coffee, a few treats from the sweet & savoury options, and the opportunity to spend a moment together with fellow volunteers. In the lead up to the event we are holding a session on volunteering with school kids from the farming districts in the Esperance region as part of the annual Mallee Muster, and will be aiding them in creating thank you cards for volunteers that we will disperse at the morning tea.	Goldfields/Esperance
Good Sammy Enterprises	Photograph the Volunteer!	Good Sammy Enterprises want to thank our volunteers by organising a long table high tea. All our 27 Op Shops will have a banner in the window on this day to thank all volunteers.	Goldfields/Esperance, Great Southern, Mid West, South West, North East Metropolitan, North West Metropolitan, South East Metropolitan, South West Metropolitan
Shire of Gnowangerup	Thank a Volunteer Afternoon Tea	The Shire of Gnowangerup will host an afternoon tea for all amazing volunteers within our community. The event will focus on the impact of volunteers and thanking them for their service to the community. The event will showcase our local caterers offering delicious food to all our attendees and a small gift for each attendee. We will organise a speaker for the event who will speak about growing up in a small community and the rewarding impact of volunteering. We will then ask various volunteering organisations throughout our community to speak at the event outlining what their organisation does in the community.	Great Southern
Albany & Regional Volunteer Service Inc.	Thank a Volunteer Day	Albany & Regional Volunteer Service Inc. will host a morning high tea. This will be provided to thank local volunteers, while enjoying local musical entertainment and the stunning views of Princess Royal Harbour. Speeches by our local MP, the Mayor, Albany & Regional Volunteer Services and other collaborating agencies will be delivered to thank, acknowledge and quantify the value of their work to the community. It is an opportunity for volunteers to network, relax and be recognised for their valuable contribution. We will promote this event on Great Southern FM radio and through local stories with features in local print, social media and on local volunteer/community groups platforms.	Great Southern
Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley	Thank A Volunteer Day Kununurra	The Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley will hold Thank A Volunteer Day Kununurra. Volunteers are an integral part of the Kununurra community. The WA Volunteering Strategy states that “most volunteers want their efforts to be recognised and valued” and this event would do that through recognising the Kununurra volunteers and their contribution. Throughout the year volunteering on a committee or as part of a club can be a thankless job, this event will be open to people who volunteer in any capacity in the town. The Shire will work with clubs and the Neighbourhood House to spread the invitation across all sectors so that every volunteer will have the ability to register their interest.	Kimberley

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Shire of Broome	Volunteer Tales Thank a Volunteer Exhibition	The Shire of Broome will hold photographic and audio display acknowledging community volunteers at the town's major shopping centre. This exhibition celebrates and acknowledges the diversity of volunteers within the Broome community. Portraits of local volunteers interviewed as part of the Volunteer Tales podcast series, launched in Volunteer Week 2022 will be displayed in Broome's main shopping precinct from December 5 – 9. A QR code directing people to individual podcasts will complement each portrait. Interviewees represent a diverse range of demographics from a variety of community organisations. Displaying their familiar faces and connecting their positive volunteer stories allows the community a deeper understanding of what people just like them can do. Hopefully, it inspires more volunteers in the community.	Kimberley
City of Greater Geraldton	Thank A Volunteer Day Awards	The City of Greater Geraldton and Centacare Family Services celebrates and acknowledges outstanding volunteers who make such a positive contribution to our community. The Awards have five categories: Volunteer of the Year, Youth Volunteer of the Year (under 18 years), Volunteer Manager of the Year, Volunteer Involving Organisation of the Year and Volunteer-Involving Event of the Year. All nominees will be invited to attend the Volunteer of the Year Award Ceremony on Monday 5 December at the Queens Park Theatre Amphitheatre.	Mid West
Shire of Chapman Valley	Thank A Volunteer Morning Tea on Wheels	The Shire of Chapman Valley will hold Thank A Volunteer Morning Tea on Wheels. The Morning Tea on Wheels - delivering our thanks to Chapman Valley Volunteers. A locally made morning tea box of goodies and a volunteer appreciation bag will be delivered on site to our volunteers at their farms and businesses. This is an innovative way of reaching our volunteers to acknowledging their efforts. This unique event will be promoted on social media and promoted as a positive way to say thank you to those who infinitely strengthen our community.	Mid West
Shire of Mundaring	Celebrating Community 2022 - Thank a Volunteer Day	The Shire of Mundaring will hold a Celebrating Community event. Celebrating Community recognises the significant value volunteers add to community health and wellbeing. In 2022, the Shire will welcome nominees, their family members and those who have nominated a fellow community member, to a Sundowner. The event program incorporates an award presentation acknowledging inspirational achievements in four categories: Inspirational Volunteer, Long Service, Rising Star (up to age 25) and Access Mundaring (for contributions to improving access and inclusion). The event will also involve and recognise volunteers who have been instrumental in delivering ongoing community recovery initiatives, following the 2021 Wooroloo Bushfire.	North East Metropolitan
Mercy Works Limited	Thank a Volunteer Day at the Cinema	Mercy Works will hold "Thank a Volunteer Day at the Cinema" and collaborate with two other local community-based organisations involved in the welfare and support of vulnerable Refugee and Asylum seeker families in the local (and surrounding) community. The event enables us to show our heartfelt appreciation and highlight the camaraderie and shared sense of purpose amongst the volunteers.	North East Metropolitan
Swan View Community Association Inc	Thank you for our very special volunteers	Swan View Community Association Inc. will hold a thank you for our very special volunteers. It was agreed that Engaging Generations, Salvation Army, Swan View Community Association, Uniting Church and Swan View Community Garden combine to hold a joint Thank a Volunteer Day Luncheon on Monday 5 December 2022.	North East Metropolitan
Perth Region NRM (Inc)	Thank A Volunteer Day Garden Party	Perth Region NRM (Inc) will host Thank A Volunteer Day Garden Party. This event is an opportunity to recognise and celebrate the contributions of the different volunteers and share their stories more broadly. We will be privileged to welcome them to the Perth NRM office and provide them with the opportunity to network and bond with one another, as groups with either shared interests or locality, to foster more collaborations between different generations and sectors, in the future.	North East Metropolitan

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Town of Claremont	Thank a Volunteer Day Celebration	The Town of Claremont will hold 'Thank a Volunteer Day Celebration' event. The event will be held as a reward evening to acknowledge and thank the recognised volunteers for their voluntary contributions to our community. Each volunteer will be awarded a certificate of recognition during the presentation which will depict the highlights of the last years achievements by volunteers across the Town. Food, drink and entertainment will be provided, and the event will be an opportunity for the volunteers to come together, enjoy themselves and see the fantastic work that the various organisations have delivered within the last year.	North West Metropolitan
Motion By The Ocean Inc.	Thank a Volunteer Day – Film Night for Volunteers	Motion By The Ocean Inc. will host a 'Community Movie' event and is a local volunteer-run organisation. It has provided over 38,000 passenger kilometres of trishaw rides on the coast between Trigg and Mullaloo to over 3,500 passengers and also provides food hampers to local community members in need. Targeted beneficiaries are people over 65 years, with a disability and / or experiencing disadvantage. The film night for volunteers will screen “The Mole Agent” (a story about loneliness, growing old, and the importance of human connection) and will also feature refreshments and acknowledgement of contributions.	North West Metropolitan
Kiwanis Club of Perth Inc	Celebrating “Thank a Volunteer Day”	Kiwanis Club of Perth Inc. will hold Celebrating “Thank a Volunteer Day”. Certificates of Appreciation will be presented to all present volunteers with certificates available for volunteer committees to give to those unable to attend. The volunteers will be acknowledged by City of Bayswater councillors and hopefully the Member for Perth. They will be given a morning tea and be entertained by a local musician in pleasant surrounds at the Maylands Yacht Club. There will be ample opportunity to mix with like-minded people and network in a fun atmosphere.	North West Metropolitan
International Food and Multiculture Incorporated	Multicultural Community Thank a Volunteer Day Lunch	This “Multicultural Community Thank a Volunteer Day Lunch” is to thank those volunteers who have contributed to multicultural events, thanks for helping people from different cultural backgrounds to better understand each other. Therefore, we would like to offer the volunteers from International Food and Multiculture Incorporated, Western Australia Multicultural Association and other multicultural-related organization a free lunch with special performances (such as Chinese traditional dancing, Traditional Chinese Calligraphy performance).	North West Metropolitan
Dampier Primary School	Thank a Volunteer Day Morning tea	Dampier Primary School will hold Thank a Volunteer Day Morning tea. To thank and acknowledge the numerous volunteers that create the engaging school community we have. Our P&C work tirelessly to raise funds for the school. Our school board meets regularly, chaired by parents as volunteers. Our school has an affiliation with the local army cadets with them volunteering time to our school. The Dampier Fire and Rescue service are regular fund raiser and donators to the school. We have numerous parents who give time to work in classrooms, creating resources, delivering curriculum support and working with our children needing intervention.	Pilbara
Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Resource Centre Inc.	Thank a Volunteer Sundowner	Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Resource Centre Inc. will hold a Thank a Volunteer Sundowner. The BBQ is to celebrate our volunteers, and the volunteers from all community groups. A speech will be given to thank all the volunteers and to acknowledge them for all their hard work	South East Metropolitan
Madjitil Moorna Inc.	Kaya -Woola-Djin Djin Koort	Madjitil Moorna Inc. Kaya -Woola-Djin Djin Koort event. This event will honour and pay tribute to our supporters and volunteers who give their time willingly throughout each year. Volunteer roles include being drivers for those who need transport, offering assistance to those who have disabilities but who enjoy the camaraderie with other choir members, hosting new members, assisting with the set up and logistics of weekly rehearsals, and helping with fundraising and publicity. They also give up time and travel costs to perform in schools and at many other community events. On this occasion our volunteers can relax and enjoy the fruits of their volunteering with the sundowner and an outdoor movie.	South East Metropolitan

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City of Canning	A Carnival of Celebration	The City of Canning will hold Thank a Volunteer Day Carnival of Celebration event. Volunteers will experience a traditional Welcome to Country and Smoking ceremonies by Sister Kates Home Kids Aboriginal Corporation. The City's Mayor will welcome and thank volunteers before volunteers move to the Function Room to enjoy cultural foods, dance/music, and a painting workshop by aboriginal artists from Beananging Kwuurt Institute. Volunteer thank you gifts, carnival themed treats and door/lucky dip prizes will add to the 'carnival' themed celebrations.	South East Metropolitan
Men's Sheds of WA Inc	Men's Sheds Thank-a-Volunteer Showcase	Men's Sheds of WA Inc will host Men's Sheds Thank-a-Volunteer Showcase event. The event will bring together hardworking men from WA's Men's Sheds and recognise their contribution to their communities. Shed projects are opportunities for members to participate, offering a sense of belonging and purpose. They provide a mental health boost to men who would otherwise be socially isolated and lonely. The event will recap notable achievements by different sheds - community collaborations, intergenerational projects and charity work. Examples: Yanchep Shed hosting the Mobile Foodbank Truck each week / Vic Park Shed supporting Soldiers and Sirens by hosting First Responder Workshops / Katanning Shed working with disengaged students via the Alta-1 program.	South East Metropolitan
Bunbury Regional Toy Library Incorporated	Volunteer Family Thank You Lunch	Bunbury Regional Toy Library Incorporated will have an open invite to all volunteers and their families in the local community. At the Eaton Family Centre, there are several volunteer groups that use the space that would be interested in being involved. This event is a way to say thank you for their hard work throughout the year. Without these volunteers, many of these organisations wouldn't exist or be what they are today. Most of these groups are family based (e.g. play group, toy library), so a family event engaging children is most appropriate to enable attendance.	South West
Western Australia Multicultural Association Inc	Thank a Volunteer Day Barbecue	Western Australia Multicultural Association Inc. will hold Thank a Volunteer Day Barbecue to acknowledge and celebrate the role of volunteers by holding an event having a shared meal. There are many ways our volunteers assist within our community. Our event will be in form of a meal shared together with the Board and all volunteers plus members of the community. The volunteers will be celebrated by acknowledging their contribution with a certificate of appreciation. A motivation talk will be given by prominent leader within the multicultural community. Emphasis will be given to the benefits of volunteering such as feeling better about one self, learn new skills, help combat stress, loneliness and isolation.	South West Metropolitan
Multicultural Connect Australia	"Thank a Volunteer Day" Community Ball Night	Multicultural Connect Australia will host "Thank a Volunteer Day" Community Ball Night. We will invite three Volunteers of the Year City of Cockburn 2022, either the award recipient or the nominees of the award to deliver speech to all the participants to share their volunteering experience with the participants to inspire us. After the speech, the volunteers will enjoy gourmet afternoon tea with international food and some melodious music.	South West Metropolitan
City of Rockingham	Thank A Volunteer Day	The City of Rockingham will host Thank A Volunteer Day Morning tea, Awards Ceremony and Movie event. The ceremony will include a speech of recognition by the Mayor and presentation of the Years of Service awards to City volunteers. The event will be held at the Ace Cinemas Rockingham Gold Lounge, with a morning tea following the presentation of awards. Attendees will then enjoy a screening of a new feature movie together. Bringing the volunteers and wider community together fosters a strong sense of community and sharing of experiences. Rockingham Volunteer Centre will have a stall in the lounge sharing information on services, groups and volunteering opportunities to showcase the wide variety of contributions within the City.	South West Metropolitan
Shire of Wagin	Thank A Volunteer Celebration	The Shire of Wagin will host an event at the 2 new playgrounds in the Wetlands Parks, as Wagin Action Group (WAG's) volunteered their time removing the old playground. We will incorporate the BFB, adding an award ceremony for longstanding volunteers, especially as our Chief of 40 years retires in 2023. Adding a challenge on the Ninja Park can provide an incentive to the younger community to attend where others will be thanked for their continued volunteering. Volunteers will be put into groups and prizes will be given for the best effort in the challenges.	Wheatbelt

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Merredin Community Resource Centre Inc.	Thank a Volunteer Stargazing Sundowner	Merredin Community Resource Centre Inc. will host Thank a Volunteer Stargazing Sundowner. Volunteers are, without a doubt, the stars of our community. Volunteers from all sectors of our community will be invited to join the Merredin CRC for a celebratory evening of star gazing, with a local astronomer, where they can relax and enjoy the company of other like-minded volunteers while enjoying refreshments 'under the stars'. The importance and value of volunteers will be acknowledged in a speech by the Merredin CRC Chairperson and a small gift will be given as a token of appreciation.	Wheatbelt
Shire of Dandaragan	Thank a Volunteer sundowner	The Shire of Dandaragan will host Thank a Volunteer sundowner to acknowledge and celebrate the positive contribution that our volunteers bring to the wider community. The event will also include a thank you picture slide show of our community volunteers in action, proudly on display for all to celebrate. The Shire of Dandaragan plan on awarding our volunteers with recognition certificates for their efforts, and dedication to our community. This sundowner event will include an acoustic entertainment and a BBQ, so our community volunteers can sit back, relax and enjoy.	Wheatbelt
Nungarin Community Resource Centre Inc	Thank a Volunteer Morning Tea	Nungarin Community Resource Centre Inc will hold a morning tea to celebrate "Thank a Volunteer Day" to acknowledge and show our appreciation to all volunteers with the Nungarin Shire.	Wheatbelt
Shire of Toodyay	Thank a Volunteer Day Morning Tea	The Shire of Toodyay will host a morning tea. We will be creating a slide show featuring photographs of volunteer activity from our four community groups. The slide show will be running throughout the event and will celebrate their enormous contribution to the community. St. John's Toodyay are donating first aid kits for the use of volunteers from the three other community groups. There will be informal expressions of appreciation at the beginning of the event from representatives of the four organisation involved and the volunteers will be able to enjoy exclusive access to the newly opened art gallery during the event.	Wheatbelt
Kalannie Community Resource Centre Inc	Kalannie "Thank a Volunteer" Barefoot Bowls & BBQ	Kalannie Community Resource Centre Inc will host the ideal summer event of Barefoot Bowls with a BBQ. It will be inclusive, relaxing and appealing to people of all ages so our community can come together to celebrate, show appreciation and thank our local volunteers. Throughout the event attendees can participate in a barefoot bowls competition, families with kids can use the playground facilities at the venue. We recognise volunteer burnout as an increasing issue, therefore we will have a massage therapist on site to relieve stress by providing seated shoulder massages. Finally, everyone will enjoy a shared barbecue dinner and celebrate our community's achievements.	Wheatbelt
Law Enforcement Torch Run Western Australia (LETR-WA) Incorporated	Law Enforcement Torch Run Volunteer Recognition Awards	The Law Enforcement Torch Run Western Australia (LETR-WA) Incorporated will hold Volunteer Recognition awards to facilitate an opportunity to recognise the valued contribution of our community partners and volunteers who help us to deliver inclusive events for people with intellectual disabilities. The event will recognise all volunteers who have donated their time and services to enable the safe delivery of inclusive events, with awards for team and personal contributions.	Metropolitan
City of Kalamunda	Thank a Volunteer Day - Celebration Lunch	The City of Kalamunda will host Thank a Volunteer Day - Celebration with entertainment, including a presentation for the "Local Hero" awards, recognising some of the most outstanding volunteers within the community. A catered movie screening will follow later in the day/evening, for the City's youth volunteers who can't attend the lunch due to school commitments.	North East Metropolitan
Lions Club of Waroona	Thank Our Volunteers Christmas Party	The Lions Club of Waroona Will host a Thank You Christmas party to thank everyone for helping out with the various projects undertaken through the year.	Peel
Shire of Boddington	Thank a Volunteer Day in Boddington: Breakfast of Champions	The Shire of Boddington Will host Breakfast of Champions. This will comprise of treating volunteers from local community groups and sporting clubs to a breakfast recognition and celebration event. It will acknowledge volunteers in an invitation format to elevate the prestige of volunteering, with organisations being presented certificates of appreciation. The RSVP process will also involve simple data collection questions to measure the impact of volunteering in Boddington and be a point of acknowledgment during and post-event. The Boddington Community Hub facilitates a number of recreation and community uses, so volunteers will have opportunity to engage in the space as guests.	Peel

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Tau Gamma Phi Sigma State Council Of Western Australia Incorporated	Thank A Volunteer Day - Dinner and Awarding & Ceremony	Tau Gamma Phi Sigma State Council Of Western Australia Incorporated will host Thank A Volunteer Day - Dinner and Awarding & Ceremony event. The event will mostly revolve on appreciating the Department of Communities, our volunteers and our members. Defining how communities should work and being a model to our young members. A dinner event with an awarding ceremony together with recreational activities will demonstrate this. We will be conducting multiple social media posts and feed to push our exposure to other communities.	South East Metropolitan
Shire of Augusta Margaret River	Thank a Volunteer Day Award Ceremony	The Shire of Augusta Margaret River will host a Thank a Volunteer Day Award Ceremony to celebrate and acknowledge the invaluable and ongoing dedication and commitment volunteers contribute to the region. The event will include Volunteer of the Year and Youth Volunteer of the Year awards.	South West
City of Kwinana	Thank A Volunteer — Mini Expo	The City of Kwinana will hold Thank A Volunteer - Mini Expo. The Mini Volunteer Expo will be a unique opportunity to be able to meet with local volunteer-involving organisations and find out about the different activities, programs and events that are available for people to participate.	South West Metropolitan
City of Fremantle	Thank a Volunteer Day 2022	The City of Fremantle will hold an excursion for 80 volunteers (two sessions, midday or early evening) will start with a self-guided short walking trail tour, then meet at the ‘Step into Volunteering Marquee’ on the Esplanade Reserve, take a ride on the Fremantle Tourist Wheel together, enjoy a lunch/dinner at Kailis, finishing off at Baskin Robins on the boardwalk. A group photo will be taken at the ‘We Love Fremantle’ sign. City of Fremantle staff will meet and greet at each location. The Marquee will be supported by local NFP groups sharing volunteering stories and promote volunteering roles.	South West Metropolitan