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2020 Supplementary Volunteer Grants – Building Resilient Communities Successful Applicants Announced

In the lead up to International Volunteer Day (5 December), more than 2300 Northern Territory volunteers, working across 24 volunteer involving organisations will benefit from Federal funding to support, safely re-engage and train volunteers as the economy re-opens.

With \$102,000 of funding allocated, Volunteering NT is pleased to announce the worthy recipients of the 2020 Supplementary Volunteer Grants.

Evelyn O’Loughlin, CEO, Volunteering SA&NT said that many organisations would be using the financial boost to purchase small equipment, to adapt their volunteer programs to ensure the safety and wellbeing of volunteers as a result of COVID-19 restrictions, as well as providing up to date and relevant training.

“The volunteering sector has been heavily impacted, and this much needed funding will help organisations get back up and running sooner rather than later.

“Volunteers, and those that they help in the community, need to feel safe so their important work can continue and assist in building resilient communities,” said Ms O’Loughlin.

A full list of successful applicants are available on the [Volunteering SA&NT website](#)

The 2020 Supplementary Volunteer Grants are funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Service and administered by Volunteering SA&NT across the Northern Territory and South Australia.

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Insights

- Applications received = 69 / successful applications = 24
- Total amount of Federal funding allocated = \$102,000
- Total volunteer workforce of all organisations = 84.60%
- Total number of volunteers benefitted = 2312
- Volunteer involving organisations locations
Metro = 45.83%; regional = 45.83%; remote = 45.83%; rural = 41.67%
- Top 4 sectors assisted = Community services, youth, sport and education/Indigenous Australians (respectively)
- Most popular items = small equipment, training, re-engagement (as a result of COVID-19)