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Supporting South Australian and Northern Territory Volunteers and Building Resilient Communities

2020 Supplementary Volunteer Grants round now open

Volunteering SA&NT is pleased to be administering the 2020 Supplementary Volunteer Grants, which is funded by the Australian Government.

This program will provide grants of between \$1000 - \$5000 to community organisations to support volunteers and increase volunteering across South Australia and the Northern Territory.

This funding round has a particular focus on assisting organisations to re-engage volunteers and adapt their practices to support volunteer safety in relation to COVID-19.

Volunteering SA&NT CEO Evelyn O'Loughlin said volunteering has been severely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"With recent research* indicating 65.9% of volunteers stopped volunteering between February and April 2020, the Volunteer Grants are available now to assist your organisation reactivate your volunteering program," Ms O'Loughlin said.

"Funding can help your organisation support your volunteers and safeguard the return of volunteering, thus allowing volunteering to play its role in social and economic recovery," Ms O'Loughlin adds.

Funding of between \$1000 - \$5000 is available under the 2020 Supplementary Volunteer Grants Program to help community organisations to support the efforts of Australia's volunteers.

The grants can be used to buy small equipment for volunteers or for the reimbursement of volunteer fuel, transport or training costs, amongst other things.

Applications close 20 September 11:59pm

For more information about the Volunteer Grants, please go to Volunteering SA&NT's website at www.volunteeringsa-nt.org.au and search grants

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[*The ANU Centre for Social Research and Methods, "The experience of volunteers during the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic report", May 2020](#)