



Government  
of South Australia

Department of Human Services

# 2020 Joy Noble Medal

Applications open Monday, 2 March 2020 and close 5pm Friday, 3 April 2020

## Guidelines

The Joy Noble Medal is the highest distinction for individual volunteers in South Australia.

Joy Noble's name is synonymous with volunteering in South Australia. She has been an active volunteer throughout her life, starting with enemy aircraft spotting in Port Augusta during World War II, the Girl Guides and various church groups. During her long and fruitful career as a Social Worker she continued to show commitment to volunteering and implemented a volunteer program within the Department of Community Welfare in 1972.

Since she retired, Joy's commitment to volunteering has continued to grow. She co-founded Volunteering SA with Mavis Reynolds in 1980 and has gone on to become an internationally renowned author of books on volunteer management. She also co-edited the Australian Journal on Volunteering for its first three years until 1999. In 2002, Joy was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for her services to the volunteer movement.

The Joy Noble Medal recognises outstanding contributions to volunteering and is a tribute to a great South Australian.

### Key Dates

<b>Nominations open</b>	2 March 2020
<b>Nominations close</b>	5pm, 3 April 2020
<b>Nominations assessed</b>	May 2020
<b>Nominees notified</b>	May 2020
<b>Presentation of Award</b>	8 June 2020

## Who can nominate & eligibility

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Whilst anyone can nominate, and there is no age or minimum years of service requirement, it should be noted that the Joy Noble Medal is a prestigious South Australian volunteer award that recognises volunteering services by an individual at the highest level.

Self-nominations are accepted.

## Criteria

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The selection panel will consider all nominations against the following criteria, **which must be clearly addressed in the nomination statement**:

- Significant positive community impact
- Exceptional contribution to the values of volunteering, i.e. honesty, equity, respect, integrity, quality and caring
- Demonstrated leadership in their work as a volunteer
- Outstanding commitment to the South Australian community.

**Note: there is no age restriction or minimum years of service required.**

## Referee support

All nominations must be accompanied by at least two referee statements (letters of support or written testimonials) from community organisations/individuals that have benefited from the nominated volunteer's efforts.

## Recognition of award winners

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The medal winner will be announced at a special Volunteers Day event, to be held on 8 June 2020.

The winner may also appear in the Adelaide media and in Department of Human Services publications.

## Nominating is easy

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Lodge your nomination online by visiting the Department of Human Services website <https://dhs.sa.gov.au/services/volunteers/recognition/sa-volunteer-awards>.

## Nomination checklist

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When submitting the nomination please:

- complete all sections
- attach at least two referee statements
- include any related materials supporting the nomination such as photos, brochures, newspaper articles, reports, newsletters and advertising material
- **lodge your nomination online by 5pm, Friday 3 April 2020**
- print a copy for your records.

For further information contact the Office for Volunteers

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**Email: [ofv@sa.gov.au](mailto:ofv@sa.gov.au)**

**Website: [www.dhs.sa.gov.au/services/volunteers](http://www.dhs.sa.gov.au/services/volunteers)**