



The Greater Dandenong Australia Day Awards 2026 recognise individuals or groups whose outstanding work has made a positive contribution to the Greater Dandenong community.

Do you know someone who is making a difference and deserves to be celebrated? Nominate them now!

To nominate, please note the following:

- Members of a community group are welcome to nominate their own organisation, however an individual nominee must be nominated by someone other than themselves.
- Please list at least one but preferably two referees. Referees may be contacted for additional information.
- You may nominate individuals and/or groups for multiple awards however a separate form must be used for each.
- All nominees over 18 years of age must be willing to undergo a Victorian Police Check.
- Assessment of nominations is completed by an assessment panel. If no suitable nominations are received for a category, the panel reserves the right to not give that award for the year.
- You may nominate people who have been previously nominated.
- Presentation of the Greater Dandenong Australia Day Awards will be made at an Award Ceremony on Sunday 26 January 2026.
- For more information, please visit: greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/australia-day-awards

Nomination Form

Nominate people who have made a positive contribution to the community in areas such as community service, education, the environment, the arts, sport, and civic participation.

Select which award you are nomination for:

AWARD	CRITERIA
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Leadership Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An individual who has demonstrated long term commitment to voluntary or philanthropic work in the community and made positive contributions to enrich the lives of others• Over 16 years of age
<input type="checkbox"/> Young Leader of the Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aged 16-30 years on 26 January in year of award• Demonstrated leadership and is a positive role model
<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer of the Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An individual who has demonstrated commitment in caring for the community and outstanding and consistent voluntary contribution to a group, activity, or community
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Citizen of the Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An individual or business who has made a significant contribution to the community through their business or corporate position in Greater Dandenong
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Group of the Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A group whose outstanding initiatives demonstrate innovation and community capacity building• Actively engages with 'vulnerable or marginalised' community members and promotes harmony across cultures
<input type="checkbox"/> Sportsperson of the Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For excellence and leadership on and off the sports field• A sportsperson or a member of a Greater Dandenong Sports Club that inspires participation and involvement across the community
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustainability Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An individual or group whose initiatives contribute to making Greater Dandenong a healthy, vibrant, innovative and creative community committed to environmental sustainability
<input type="checkbox"/> Living Treasure Award A lifetime achievement award	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An individual that has had a lasting impact on the quality of life for the community
<input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Contribution to the Arts Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• An individual or group who has demonstrated commitment to the Arts and Culture scene through outstanding and consistent voluntary contributions to a group, activity or community

Nominations close on Monday 15 September 2025, 11.59 pm
Email austday@cgd.vic.gov.au or phone 8571 1000 to find out more.

Your Details (Required)

Your name and organisation (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Who are you nominating? (Required)

Nominee name and organisation (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Referee Details (At least one referee required)

Referee name: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Additional Referee Details

Referee name: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Application Form Questions

1. How does the nominee meet the selection criteria for this award?

Please provide information on what they do and outline what specific contributions the nominee has made to the Greater Dandenong community.

Please provide as much information as possible.

2. What impact has the nominee's contribution had within the Greater Dandenong community?

Please outline any achievements, awards, and outcomes from their contributions. Please also include any organisations or groups who have benefited, in what capacity and for how long.

Declaration

I agree that the information provided in this nomination is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and is an accurate representation of the nominee.

I confirm that, I have informed the nominee and two independent referees of this nomination and obtained their permission for their personal information provided to be used by Greater Dandenong City Council in accordance with the Privacy collection Notice.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Submit your nomination to Council by Monday 15 September 2025

Post: Greater Dandenong City Council, Festivals and Events, PO Box 200, Dandenong, VIC 3175

Online application: greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/australia-day-awards








Email: austday@cgd.vic.gov.au

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