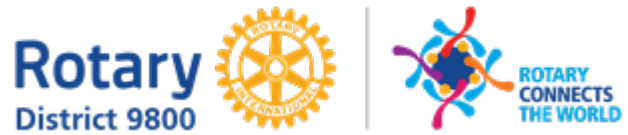


# DISTRICT RECOGNITION AWARDS



## Introduction

Each year Rotary District 9800 takes the opportunity to recognise and thank Members and clubs for their hard work and dedication to a wide variety of projects, both locally and internationally.

Traditionally these awards have been selected closer to District Changeover in June and awarded then. This year there is a change in timeframe to allow the successful applications to be announced at this year's Annual District Conference. This is a good time **for District 9800 to thank you** for all your dedication to changing lives for the better and to congratulate Clubs on their commitment to serve others.

## Purpose

**The purpose of District Recognitions is to acknowledge and encourage “excellence” in a variety of key areas.** They are designed to give Clubs and their members pride in their achievements and to set the benchmark in what Clubs can do to make a difference within our community.

## Categories of Awards

The categories, which are aligned to the Avenues of Service, have **six** categories in total and align to the District 9800 Strategic Goals and Objectives. Details are available on the District website.

**A maximum of two projects will be selected in each category** thereby making no more than 12 Recognitions being celebrated as being the 'best of the best'. A project/event can only be nominated in one category (to avoid duplicate awards).

Clubs can also continue to self-nominate but would need to seek an endorsement from their AG /Avenue of Service Chair/DST Member to ensure the project/event fits the criteria outlined.

## Presentation Date

**This year the awards will be presented at the District Conference from 27-29 March 2020.** The bigger audience will provide more gravitas to the awards and allow for celebration with more members of your club and broader District.

## Deadline

**Nominations are due in by COB Friday 28 February 2020.**

**Details are on the District website.**

**Applications will be accepted for activities occurring during the preceding Rotary year from 1/7/19 to the due date for submission.**

- Certificates with the District Recognition Logo will be presented.
- An electronic District 9800 Recognition Logo will be made available to clubs to use on their club letterhead, emails, websites, brochures, and bulletins.

Think ahead and keep details and material related to your projects to minimise the time required when submitting the nomination form.

## Recognition of Excellence Categories

### Community Service

Chair: David Bourke (RC Keilor)

*Recognition of an outstanding Community Service Project or Program which addresses and meets a significant problem of identified need within the local community. The project should include extensive involvement by club members and possibly involves the use of a District Foundation Grant.*

### International Service

Chair: Jenny Foster (RC Passport)

*Recognition of an outstanding & comprehensive International Service Project or Program through involvement in a District or Club humanitarian initiative. A program or project that provides benefits to as wide a spectrum of the community as possible, which involves the use of a District Foundation Grant.*

### Vocational Service

Chair: Mary Barry (RC Melbourne)

*Recognition of an outstanding club Vocational Service Project or Program that has impacts and outcomes enhanced by the use of individual or group vocational skills and ethical business practices*

### Youth Service

Chair: Stuart Cardell (RC Central Melbourne)

*Recognition of an outstanding and comprehensive Youth Service (Under 18 years) Project or Program initiative, instigated at Club, Cluster or District Level.*

### Public Image & Communications Service

Chair: Kerry Kornhauser  
(RC Melbourne)

*Recognition of an innovative and consistent level of excellence in the presentation engagement of internal and external club communications including Website/Bulletin/Social Media.*

### Membership Service

Chair: Peter Frueh (RC Balwyn)

*Recognition of innovation and excellence in the retention and recruitment of members, including the promotion of diversity, unique fellowship opportunities, new Clubs Chartered, establishment of Satellite or Rotaract Clubs.*

### Strategic Values Guidelines:

In each of these categories applications should demonstrate their alignment to District Strategic Goals and Objectives in the following ways:

\*Volunteer Opportunities  
\*Community Engagement

\*Humanitarian Focus  
\*Public Image Focus

### REMINDER: **Early Closing Date**

The deadline for the awards submissions is Friday 28 February 2020 so that the awards can be showcased at the 2020 Conference.

### Questions?

If you have any questions or comments, please refer to the Service Chairs listed above or contact

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