



## Volunteer recognition ideas

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**Remember:** Listening to and getting to know your volunteers will help in understanding how or if they want to be recognised.

### Formal ideas to recognise your volunteers

- Certificates of thanks or acknowledgement
- Newspaper article/profile
- Volunteer of the week/month
- Thank you event or activity
- Website article
- Award nomination
- Public poster of achievement
- Acknowledgment in annual report
- Social media
- CEO recognition
- Radio interview
- Short video/YouTube clip
- Gifts or vouchers to local businesses, e.g. cafes

### Informal ideas to recognise your volunteers

- Notice boards with names, photos, feedback/client appreciation comments
- Coffee and treats or an informal morning tea
- Thank you notes, cards or emails
- Birthday cards
- Verbal appreciation
- Voucher
- Letter

### Other ideas

- Branded merchandise
- Offer training or paid work

For more ideas: <https://volunteeringaustralia.org/wp-content/uploads/VA-Managers-101-Ways-to-Recognise-Your-Volunteers.pdf>