

MEDIA RELEASE

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3,600 St John volunteers recognised during National Volunteer Week

St John Ambulance Australia (NSW) would like to take the opportunity during National Volunteer Week to thank our 3,600 volunteers for their continued dedication to St John and the community.

St John has volunteers in a range of areas including first aid services at public and community events, teaching first aid to community members and groups, and community care programs.

St John (NSW) CEO Sean Gavin comments:

“St John (NSW) volunteers contribute over 525,000 hours of voluntary service each year and our volunteers really do make a difference in the Australian community. I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank them for the amazing work they do because without them, there wouldn't be a St John.

“The families of our members also deserve special thanks for the support they provide. St John also recognises the community members and businesses who support our volunteers by choosing us as their first aid supplier for the provision of first aid training, kits and products,” said Mr Gavin.

St John (NSW) achievements last year:

- Treated more than 36,000 first aid casualties
- Provided more than 11,000 voluntary community care hours
- Logged over 525,000 hours of voluntary service
- Issued over 76,000 first aid certificates

St John (NSW) welcomes new volunteers and offers strong support and training programs to provide them with life-long skills and knowledge.

To find out more about volunteering with St John (NSW) or to show your support by learning first aid or buying first aid equipment contact St John (NSW) on 1300 360 455 or www.stjohnnsw.com.au.

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