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Give recognition to good Samaritans who go unnoticed

Nominations are open for the 2019 Orange Citizen of the Year.

When 1 in 5 people in Orange volunteer, everyone knows someone worthy of the top award.

Orange Mayor Reg Kidd said he was already gearing up for the annual award ceremony, held on Australia Day in Cook Park.

“It’s one of the highest honours we can give out and I always look forward to hearing about the worthy things people are doing to get themselves nominated.

“These are always the people who just go about their day, volunteering, sharing knowledge, caring for others and making the lives of other’s better.

“But you’ll never hear them blowing their own trumpet so it’s up to us to do it for them.

“The wonderful thing about living in Orange is we all know someone who is worthy of recognition.

“The most recent Census results showed 20 per cent of people in Orange were volunteers and more than 11 per cent provided unpaid assistance to a person with a disability.

“So take this chance now and nominate them for an award.”

There are six award categories this year for the NSW Local Citizen of the Year Awards and everyone in the community is invited to nominate someone who is deserving of acknowledgment.

- ***The Citizen of the Year Award*** recognises an individual who has achieved something extraordinary, is an inspirational role model to others or who has made a sustained outstanding contribution to the local community.

- ***The Young Citizen of the Year Award*** recognises an individual under 25 years of age who has achieved something extraordinary, is an inspirational role model to others or who has made a sustained outstanding contribution to the local community.
- ***The Community Group of the Year Award*** recognises a group who has made a valuable contribution to the Orange community throughout the year.
- ***The Community Event of the Year Award*** recognises an event that has made a valuable contribution to the community. This will be determined both in relation to the quality of the event and the scope of impact on the local government area.
- **Local Legend Award** recognises a person who has moulded the Orange local community with outstanding, illustrious or renowned achievement.
- **Business Philanthropy Award** recognises a business that seeks to promote the welfare of others, especially by the generous donation of money or services to the community and good causes.

[Nominate online](#) or, grab a form from the front counter at the Civic Centre Office and return by 5pm, Wednesday December 5.

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