



## NOMINATE YOUR LOCAL HERO 2021

A new community awards program developed to recognise and celebrate the people who are making a difference in Penrith. It doesn't matter how big or small their act of kindness is or how young or old they are. This is your chance to nominate a friend, family member, community leader, colleague, group or organisation – any Australian who you believe makes Penrith a better place to live.

## CATEGORIES

## Citizen of the Year:

Awarded to the person who has contributed most significantly to the City of Penrith, demonstrating commitment, involvement in activities and innovation that has led to the betterment of the people within the Penrith community. The recipient needs to be a Penrith resident, aged 18 or over.

#### Young Citizen of the Year:

Awarded to a young person aged 17 years or younger, who has contributed most significantly to the City of Penrith over a number of years, providing outstanding community service and/or attaining outstanding achievement in academics, sport, arts, or charity work. The recipient needs to be a Penrith resident.

#### Mayor's Local Heroes Award:

Awarded to the person or persons who has contributed most significantly to the City of Penrith demonstrating commitment and involvement in activities that have led to the betterment of the people within the Penrith community. The recipient/s need to be a Penrith resident, there's no age limit.

## Making A Difference - Community Service Award:

Awarded to the person or persons who have shown outstanding dedication and contribution to one or more areas that has led to the betterment of the quality of life of others in the City of Penrith community in areas such as volunteering, charitable work, supported the community during emergencies/natural disasters, championing environmental initiatives, made a contribution in the sporting arena, or provided exceptional community leadership. For this award the recipient/s does not need to reside in the Penrith Local Government Area. There is no age limit.



## HOW TO PREPARE THE NOMINATION

**Selection Criteria:** The nominee will be assessed against the below criteria:

- Demonstrated contribution to the Penrith community
- A role model for the community

Activities align with our core values of:
Can do attitude – a focus on getting the right things done

- Harmony – valuing relationships –actively promoting collaboration and partnering to achieve more

- **Lifestyle** – setting a new benchmark for a balanced, healthy and respectful lifestyle

- **Openness** – embracing new ideas, new people to do things differently for our communities' benefit

- Invention – looking for new and better ways of delivering services and community activities for greater participation and diversity

- Transformation – driving real change in our city for the betterment of our communities.

#### **Categories for selection:**

All nominees aged 18 years and over will be considered for the Citizen of the Year award.

All nominees aged 17 years and younger will be considered for the Young Citizen of the Year Award.

It is at the discretion of the judging panel to consider nominees for any of the award categories not necessarily the category they were nominated for.

#### Closing date:

Nominations for the 2021 Awards close Friday 30 April. Nominations postmarked 30 April 2021 will be accepted.

#### Assistance:

If you need assistance submitting a nomination, or have any questions, please contact council at (02) 4732 7777 or events@penrith.city.

## **ELIGIBILITY CHECKLIST**

## Eligible nominations:

- Australian Permanent Resident or Australian Citizen
- Individual members of the public
- Local volunteer group, community groups, sporting groups or organisation (group of 6 members)
- Nominees must reside, work or have made a significant contribution in the City of Penrith.

#### Ineligible nominations:

- Current Penrith City Council employees
- Sitting local, state and federal politiciar
- Self-nominees
- Awards will not be granted posthumously.

## THE AWARD PROCESS

From October 2020 to April 2021, Penrith City Council calls on individuals, groups and organisations to nominate worthy recipients for the Penrith Local Celebration Awards.

During May 2021, nominations are collated and the Councillor selection panel selects the award recipients in each of the four award categories.

## Award recipients are honoured:

Award recipients will be announced at Council's July Ordinary Meeting and recognised at a formal event in August.

## Submit your nomination:

Nominations can be submitted by hardcopy paper form, online form and video submission to:

WEBSITE: penrith.city/local-celebration-awards EMAIL: events@penrith.city MAIL: Local Celebration Awards C/O Communications Team Penrith City Council PO Box 60 PENRITH NSW 2751

# NOMINATION FORM

## Please fill out this form in BLOCK LETTERS. Please provide as much detail as possible.

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PENRITH CITIZEN OF THE YEAR		MAKING A DIFFERENCE - COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD	MAKING A DIFFERENCE - COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD		
PENRITH YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR		MAYOR'S LOCAL HEROES AWARD	MAYOR'S LOCAL HEROES AWARD		
NOMINEE (the person y	vou are nominat	ing)			
Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms etc.)	First name	Surname	Surname		
Address	Position/ Organisation (optional)				
Suburb		State Postcode			
Tel (M)	Tel (H)	Email			
Date of birth		Has the nominee previously received an award from Penrith City Council?	Yes	No	
Are they an Australian citizen?	Yes No	Do they live in the Penrith Local Government Area (LGA)? Yes No		No	

## **TELL US ABOUT YOUR NOMINEE**

We want to know why your nominee is an inspirational role model, and how they've demonstrated excellence in their field, or in service to the community. Please write at least 100 words in this section. If you need more space, please write on a separate piece of paper and attach it to this form.

## NOMINATOR (your details)

<b>NOMINATOR</b> (your details)		Where did you get this nomination form?		
Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms etc.)	First name	Surname Position/ Organisation (optional)		
Address				
Suburb		State	Postcode	
Tel (M)	Tel (H)	Email		
REFEREE (optional)				
Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms etc.)	First name	Surname		
Position/ Organisation (option	nal)			
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