

# Victorian Senior of the Year Awards program information

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The Victorian Senior of the Year Awards celebrate older people who volunteer in the community. The awards are announced in October every year.

## Eligibility

You can nominate someone for an award. The person you nominate must be:

- a citizen or permanent resident of Australia
- a resident of Victoria
- 60 years or over, or an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person residing in Victoria who is 50 years or over.

## Award categories

There are 6 types of awards:

### **Council on the Ageing (COTA) Victorian Senior Achiever Awards**

These awards recognise local community champions that significantly contribute to positive ageing in their community.

### **Emerging Impact Award**

This award recognises an individual who is new to volunteering and is making a significant impact in their local community.

### **Positive Ageing Award**

This award recognises an individual who improves the wellbeing of older people in their community by promoting positive and active ageing.

### **Promotion of Multiculturalism Award**

This award recognises an individual for a significant contribution to promoting the benefits of cultural diversity in their local community and across Victoria.

## Veteran Community Award

This award recognises an individual for their exceptional contribution to the veteran community. The recipient of the award does not need to be a veteran.

## Premier's Award for Victorian Senior of the Year

This award recognises an individual for their outstanding and lasting contribution to their local community and Victoria. The Premier's Award for Victorian Senior of the Year is not open for nominations. Eligible nominations from all categories will be considered for this award.

## Learn more

To nominate someone for an award, you will need information about the person. This will include:

- their name
- age
- contact details
- examples of how they help others in the community.

To learn more about the Victorian Senior of the Year Awards:

- visit [Seniors Online](https://www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/awards) <https://www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/awards>
- call 8850 6164.

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