

# Media Release

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## NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR COMMUNITY FOCUSED SENIOR AWARDS

The Allan Labor Government is asking Victorians to recognise the contributions of senior Victorians by submitting nominations for the Victorian Senior of the Year Awards.

Minister for Ageing Ingrid Stitt today announced the opening of nominations for the 2024 Victorian Senior of the Year Awards, celebrating senior Victorians who share their skills, experience, time and energy with our community.

There are six categories of awards, including:

- Premier's Award for Victorian Senior of the Year for outstanding contribution to local community and Victoria
- Promotion of Multiculturalism Award for promoting the benefits of cultural diversity
- Healthy and Active Living Award for helping create active and healthy communities
- Veteran Community Award for exceptional contributions to the veteran community
- Ageing Well Award for combatting ageism and promoting ageing well initiatives
- Council on the Ageing Victorian Senior Achiever Award for significant contribution to local communities and Victoria.

The award ceremony will be held in October, coinciding with the annual Victorian Seniors Festival. All nominees will receive certificates acknowledging their contributions.

This year, the nomination process is more accessible than ever before. Nominations can be submitted digitally through a new online platform until 11 August, making it even easier to nominate a deserving senior. Nominees must be aged 60 years or over, and 50 years or over for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Victorians.

To make a nomination, visit Seniors Online and complete a nomination form at [seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/awards](https://seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/awards).

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Ageing Ingrid Stitt

*"I encourage Victorians to identify the inspiring older people in their lives and put them forward for well-deserved recognition."*

*"The vast majority of older people give back to their community without asking for any accolades – but this is their time to shine."*

*"Older Victorians make meaningful contributions to their communities, contributing to social cohesion and helping to create healthy and connected communities."*