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Volunteers make an invaluable contribution to local communities

The Tasmanian Liberal Government recognises and acknowledges the many thousands of Tasmanian volunteers who give tirelessly to help their local communities.

With many of Tasmania's most active volunteers over the age of 65, and therefore falling into the higher risk category in relation to COVID-19, we now need more Tasmanians to put their hand up to volunteer.

At the heart of our local communities, volunteers selflessly contribute in so many ways. These volunteer tasks include community transport, meal delivery, social connection and shopping. They may also help with food packaging, shopping, and distributing food and medical supplies.

The Tasmanian Government has provided \$130,000 through the Economic and Support Package, to mobilise volunteers through EVCREW (emergency volunteers crew).

If you can spare some time to volunteer, register at Volunteering Tasmania https://www.volunteeringtas.org.au/for-volunteering/

Thank you again to all of the hard working volunteers across the state who have stepped up in the current COVID situation and who will also play a vital role as the state recovers.