

2009 Australian Safer Communities Awards

The 2009 Australian Safer Communities Awards ceremony was held at Old Parliament House, Canberra on Thursday 3 December, 2009. The Awards recognise best practices and innovations that help to build safer communities. They cover organisations and individuals working in risk assessment, research, education and training, information and knowledge management, prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. The Attorney-General, the Hon Robert McClelland MP, presented the Awards.



Marine Stingers – **“A Marine Stinger Prevention Project”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Ian Day and David Kain from the Queensland Ambulance Service



ACT CALD – **“Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Multicultural Awareness Project”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Elena Sione from ACT Emergency Services Agency and Vaughan Cubitt from Australian Federal Police



SA Councils – **“Community Floodsafe Program”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Judith Bleechmore and Lyn Little from the South Australian State Emergency Service



Geelong – **“SafeStart Childhood Injury Prevention Project”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Frank Giggins and Kylie Fisher from the City of Greater Geelong



Teenagers in Emergencies – **“Teenagers in Emergencies”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Tim Liddell, Amy Fisher, Jess Bedggood and Sam Montague from Maffra Secondary College, Gippsland



Lifeline – **“read-the-signs Project”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with and Leeanne Turner from the MTA Superannuation Fund and Dawn O’Neil from LifeLine Australia



Sundowner – **“The Sundowner Project”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Judy McKay from the Northern Territory Human Services Advisory Council and Stephen Banderson from First Response Night Patrol



UNI NSW – RIP – **“Don’t Get Sucked in by the RIP”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Brett Williamson OAM, Surf Life Saving Australia on behalf of University of NSW.



Migrant Resource – **“Inclusive Emergency Management Project”** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Cedric Manen from the Tasmania Migrant Resource Centre (Southern Tasmania) Inc.

Category	Entrant	Award	Name of Project
State/Territory Government Agency	ACT Emergency Services Agency & Australian Federal Police	Winner	Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Project
State/Territory Government Agency	Queensland Ambulance Service, Palm Island Station	Highly Commended	Marine Stinger Prevention Project
Local Government - Collective	Collective of Mitcham, Unley, Marion, Holdfast Bay, West Torrens and Adelaide councils with SA SES as the lead agency	Winner	SA Community FloodSafe Program 2008-09
Local Government - Single Council	City of Greater Geelong	Winner	SafeStart Project
Volunteer Organisations	Teenagers In Emergencies Project Group	Winner	Teenagers in Emergencies
Private Sector Organisations	Lifeline Australia and MTA Superannuation Fund	Winner	"Readthesigns" campaign
Education, Training and Research Bodies	University of NSW	Winner	Don't get sucked in by the Rip
Education, Training and Research Bodies	Human Services Training Advisory Council Inc / Council for Aboriginal Alcohol Program Services	Highly Commended	The Sundowner Project
Education, Training and Research Bodies	Monash University	Highly Commended	Safer Community Project
Not -for-profit Organisations	Australian Red Cross, ANGLICARE NSW, Adventist Development & Relief Agency, The Salvation Army and St Vincent de Paul Society	Winner	Interagency Team Leader training - NSW Disaster recovery - Welfare Services Functional Area
Not -for-profit Organisations	Association for the Blind of WA Inc	Highly Commended	Safe Without Sight Program
Not -for-profit Organisations	Migrant Resource Centre (Southern Tasmania) Inc.	Highly Commended	Inclusive Emergency Management with CALD Communities
Projects of National Significance or Cross Jurisdictional	Metropolitan Fire & Emergency Services Board	Winner	National Community Services Training Packages Project
Projects of National Significance or Cross Jurisdictional	Australian Red Cross	Highly Commended	After the Emergency - A book to help kids cope with emergencies



Monash Uni - **"The Safer Community Project"**
Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Bronwyn Drake and Sally Trembath from Monash University



Safe without sight - **"Safe Without Sight Program"** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Susie Sim from Association for the Blind in WA



Interagency training - **"Interagency Team Leader Training for Disaster Recovery"** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Doug Philpott from ANGLICARE and Kirstie Meheux from Australian Red Cross



After the Emergency - **"After the Emergency"**
Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Andrew Coghlan and Catherine Gearing from Australian Red Cross



MFB - **"A National Community Services Training Packages Project"** Robert McClelland, Attorney-General with Julie Harris and Rob Taylor from Melbourne Metropolitan Fire Brigade

For more information about the Australian Safer Communities Awards (ASCA), please refer to www.ema.gov.au and select the ASCA link.