

# UPCOMING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience is delivering a variety of upcoming courses in the next few months relevant to volunteers and those involved in community engagement.

## **Volunteer Leadership Program (VLP) Held at the Vibe Hotel, Gold Coast, QUEENSLAND 4-5 November 2016**

The VLP provides organisations in the Australian Emergency Management Volunteer Forum (AEMVF) to nominate their volunteer members for this funded residential training opportunity. As a participant, you will gain introductory knowledge and skills to enhance the practice of leadership as a volunteer, and more so, think about how you can effectively contribute to whole of organisation leadership. Importantly, there is time to meet others from the AEMVF network and learn through sharing experiences and knowledge as a volunteer

Would you like to attend this or future programs or find out more? If you volunteer in emergency management or a related sector, then write to [enquiries@aidr.org.au](mailto:enquiries@aidr.org.au) to find out if your are eligible and your agency's nomination process.

## **Engagement matters: tools for disaster-resilient communities**

**TAFE NSW, Riverina Institute, Albury, NSW  
4-5 May 2017**

This is a two-day workshop with a difference. Focus on how you can achieve outcomes by selecting four areas to focus on for practical guidance from engagement practioners: You can choose from: identifying risks; sharing information; empowering communities; eliciting ideas; agreeing on expectations; challenging entrenched ideas; engaging children; and managing high-stakes situations. There will even be time to network with other practitioners from around the country including at drinks and dinner.

This event is going to be active, busy, and most of all engaging – register now and be ready!

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