



Jingeri Zac,

Thank you for getting in touch to share Volunteering Queensland's Election Platform with me.

As a Greens candidate, volunteers are the lifeblood of my campaign and our party, and I really commend your organisation's work on behalf of the volunteer sector. I also volunteer outside of the party as well and have done so for decades (proudly assisting the Multicultural Families Organisation, inc), so it's not a new area to me!

The Greens' election platform for the 2020 State Election is available online at: <https://greens.org.au/qld/plan>. Our long-standing broader policy platform is here: <https://greens.org.au/qld/policies>.

As I'm sure you would understand, if the Greens find ourselves in a balance-of-power scenario there is an enormous list of competing priorities, and the final decision on any negotiated outcome rests with the party as a whole. However, many of the priorities you have identified align with our agenda. Our Plan sets out what our priorities would be.

With that in mind, the Greens are happy to acknowledge the merits of your funding proposal as follows:

1. Invest in Queensland's unique Emergency Volunteering CREW (EV CREW)/Care Army capabilities at \$250,000 per year.
2. Provide five-year funding for existing Queensland Volunteer Resource Centres and Hubs and establish five additional Volunteer Support Services Hubs at \$750,000 per year, to be shared amongst 15 Volunteer Resource Centres and Hubs across Queensland.
3. Fund training and resources to make it easier for Queenslanders to volunteers and volunteer organisations to recruit and retain the volunteers they need at an investment of \$250,000 per year over three years.
4. Commission research on the State of Volunteering in Queensland at a one-off investment of \$120,000.
5. Protect Queensland's volunteers with state-wide insurance coverage.
6. Recognise Volunteering Queensland as eligible for Guaranteed Queensland's Social and Community Services Full Remuneration Order.

We would be happy to advocate for these in the next term of parliament if elected. Thanks again for sharing Volunteering Queensland's election priorities with me.

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