

Central Coast Community Awards Nominations Application 2027

Celebrate What's Great!

Central Coast Council recognises the achievements of individuals and groups who have made an outstanding contribution to their local community through the Central Coast Community Awards 2027.

Set out below, is the selection criteria for each category. Please be sure to respond to each of the relevant criteria in your submission, which will go before the Selection Panel.

The most outstanding nominees will be chosen for all categories with one winner selected in each category.

General

- **Nominations open 10am, Monday 3 August 2026.**
- **Nominations must be received by 5pm, Monday 31 August 2026.**
- **Late nominations will *not* be accepted.**
- **Nominations will only be accepted via the online form and not in any other format.**
- The decision of the Central Coast Council Community Awards Selection Panel is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
- The Selection Panel reserves the right to move nominations to a category they deem to be more appropriate.

Eligibility Criteria

The nominee:

1. Must be an Australian Citizen and must live in the Central Coast Local Government Area.
2. Will have made a significant community contribution over a long term.
3. Should be a role model that people can aspire to.
4. Should be someone Council can advertise and promote as such.
5. The nominee and the nominator must be separate individuals (i.e., you cannot nominate yourself).
6. Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years.
7. Previous Citizens of the Year are not eligible to win in subsequent years.
8. Ages are correct as of Friday 8 January 2027.

NOTE: Nominees must meet all the selection criteria for the nominated category as outlined below. Nominees who are being nominated for more than one category must complete a separate form for each. Please complete all sections of this form when nominating.

Assessment Criteria

1. Community Impact
2. Length and Commitment of service
3. Leadership and Initiative
4. Community Values and Inclusion

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5.Role Model and Representation

Criteria for the Community Group Award

- Recognises the important and inspirational work of a community organisation, in community services, wellbeing and community safety.

Criteria for the Community Life Award

- Recognises an individual person that has made a valuable contribution to the community through the fields of sports, arts, culture or environment.

Criteria for the Volunteer Award

- An individual volunteer who has made a significant long-term commitment to volunteer work within the community.
- Someone who has demonstrated outstanding service, commitment, and dedication to our local community through their volunteer work in a non-paid capacity.

Criteria for the Young Person Award

- Recognising the outstanding contributions of an individual person of 25 years of age or under who has made a significant contribution to the community.
- Someone who has achieved high levels in their field and acts as an inspiration and role model to their peers.

Criteria for the Senior Citizen Award

- Recognising the outstanding contributions of an individual person of 60 years of age or over who has made a significant contribution to the community.

Criteria for the Central Coast Council Citizen of the Year

- Demonstrated excellence in their field over an extended period of time.
- Demonstrated significant contribution across more than one category area.
- Demonstrated community leadership capacity.
- Ability to represent Central Coast Council as "Citizen of the Year".

The Central Coast Citizen of the Year will be awarded to the individual who achieves the highest overall score across all five award categories, based on the assessment and scoring undertaken by the judging panel. The nominee with the highest score will be recognised as the overall Central Coast Citizen of the Year.

Nominees will only be eligible to receive one Community Award from Central Coast Council.

Central Coast Council reserves the right to transfer a nomination to a more appropriate award category where necessary.

For queries about the guidelines, deadlines, or questions in the form, please contact us on **4306 7900, Events Team** during business hours or email **events@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au**

Your Details

* indicates a required field

Nominator Name *

Title

First Name

Last Name

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Nominator Address *

Address

Suburb State Postcode

Nominator Mobile Phone *

Nominator Email *

Must be an email address

I give permission for my name and suburb to be published as the nominator or used for publicity purposes relating to the Central Coast Council Community Awards *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Nominee Details

* indicates a required field

Full name of Nominee *

Title

First Name

Last Name

NOMINATED GROUP MAIN CONTACT DETAILS: E.G President, Chairman, Leader, main contact person to receive correspondence.

Full name of nominated Group/Organisation

Organisation Name

ONLY COMPLETE IF NOMINATING GROUP

Group/Organisation Website

Must be a URL - IF APPLICABLE

Residential Address *

Address

Suburb State Postcode

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**Nominee Contact
Number ***

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Must be an Australian phone number

Nominee email address *

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Must be an email address

Nomination Details

NOTE: Nominees must meet all the selection criteria for the nominated category as outlined on page 1 of this form. Nominees who are being nominated for more than one category must complete a separate form for each. Please complete all sections of this form when nominating.

**Nomination for the
Award of: ***

- ☐ Community Group Award
- ☐ Community Life Award
- ☐ Volunteer Award
- ☐ Young Person Award
- ☐ Senior Citizen Award

Information about the Nominee

**Provide a general
overview of the person/
group being nominated
and their actions that
have made a difference
to individuals, groups or
the wider community ***

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Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

**Provide examples
of role models,
leadership, initiative,
innovation or influence
and demonstrated
community values and
inclusion. ***

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Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

**Demonstrate how
the nominee has
excelled in their field
and involvement and
dedication over time to
meet the criteria of the
chosen category ***

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Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Provide further details / examples that have not already been given.

Supporting Material

Attach a file:

Declaration & Privacy Statement

* indicates a required field

I certify that all details supplied in this application and in any attached documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have read the accompanying guidelines for applicants provided with this application form.

I agree that I will contact Central Coast Council immediately if any information provided in this application changes or is incorrect.

To the best of my knowledge, the nominee is respected within the community and demonstrates values that positively reflect those of the Central Coast community. I am not aware of any information or circumstances that may bring the Community Awards into disrepute or otherwise make this nomination inappropriate.

I understand Central Coast Council reserves the right to withdraw a nomination should it be deemed inappropriate.

I understand that the information above will be used in accordance with relevant legislation and declare that this information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

I have read and understood the declaration and privacy statement *

☐ Yes