



The Edmund Rice Camps for Kids WA Volunteer Awards

Edmund Rice Camps for Kids WA recognises the significant contributions that people make as volunteers, be it as leaders, ancillary volunteers on camps, volunteers at events or through fundraising efforts and roles on committees etc.

ERCKWA has an annual volunteer of the year award and is introducing awards that recognise length of service.

Edmund Rice Camps WA Volunteer of the Year Award

The Edmund Rice Volunteer of the year award is an annual award presented to a volunteer who clearly demonstrates an exceptional connection to and lived experience of the Edmund Rice charism and values **AND** who provides an exceptional level of volunteering to Edmund Rice Camps for Kids WA.

Roles as Camp Managers, Committee Members and attendance at personal formation programmes are not considered for the volunteer of the year award but do count towards the long service awards.

Edmund Rice Camps WA Long Service Awards

Long service awards are presented to any volunteer (leader, ancillary, committee/Board member etc.) who has attended ten (10) or more camps and/or provided a level of service as a member of a committee or the Board. Camps can either be a mini or mega camp, Eddie on the Road or Fun Fest.

Any year of service as a Board/committee member or role as Camp Manager counts as two camps.

10 or more Camps = Edmund Rice Presence - Brent McIntyre Award

20 or more Camps = Edmund Rice Compassion Award

30 or more Camps = Edmund Rice Liberation Award

Nomination Process – ERCKWA Volunteer of the Year Award

ERCKWA will seek nominations for Edmund Rice Camps WA Volunteer of the Year Award from staff, Board Members, Committee Members and from the Edmund Rice network of leaders and supporters. **The nomination can be received as an e mail** and must clearly



name the nominee as well as the person making the nomination. The nomination must contain a statement /example attesting to the nominee's demonstration of the Edmund Rice values and details of the volunteering the nominee has provided during the year (**see example below**).

The e mail is to be sent to the Edmund Rice Camps for Kids WA CEO Kevin Knapp at kknapp@edmundrice.org and must be received **by 19 November 2018**

All nominations will be presented to the Edmund Rice Camps Volunteer Awards Committee for consideration. The decision of the committee is final. The committee will comprise a member of the ERCKWA Board, CEO and one other staff member and 1 member of the Volunteer Leader Committee.

The Volunteer of the Year Winner will be presented to the ERCKWA Board for ratification.

ERCKWA (with the assistance of the Awards Committee) will review historic data and data from 2018 to determine the winners of the inaugural long service awards.

All awards will be presented by a member of the ERCKWA Board or the CEO at an annual Edmund Rice Camps Awards Night and Cocktail Function in December.

[Sample Nomination ERCKWA Volunteer of the Year Award 2018](#)

Nominee: Edmund Rice

Person submitting the nomination: Kevin Knapp

Demonstrated connection and lived experience of the Edmund Rice Charism and Values.

Edmund has gone out of his way to welcome the orphans into the schools, has personally greeted them at the school gates and made them feel valued and welcome. By providing the children with food and clothing and an education he has liberated them from their cycle of poverty and given them a sense of self-worth. He takes time to listen to the students and be truly present to them. He knows all of the children at his school by name.

Level of volunteering – contribution to the organisation

Edmund has personally and through inspiring others, set up over 50 schools in Australia. He has motivated people to set up ministries in his name that provide over 65 camps for at risk children every year across the country, that work with refugees and the disabled and provide education in community service to hundreds of young adults.

This year Edmund volunteered on 4 Mega Camps, 2 Fun Fests and at the Charity Gala Ball