

## WEBINAR SUMMARY

# Valuing volunteers: Recruitment, retention & recognition

**Volunteering is a great way to 'Commit' and do something meaningful by helping others, whilst also helping to improve or maintain your own mental health and wellbeing.**

[National Volunteer Week](#) is held every year in May, to help celebrate and recognise volunteers across all industries and sectors. Act Belong Commit encourages Partners to use this opportunity to both recruit more volunteers and celebrate those who have made a fantastic contribution to the community.

In the most recent Act Belong Commit Partner webinar, the Deputy CEO of [Volunteering WA](#), Traci Gamblin, discussed the importance of volunteer management programs.

Traci also presented some key statistics and takeaways from the [Western Australia 2023 State of Volunteering Report](#), as well as suggestions for how Partners can support their volunteers.




In support of National Volunteer Week, Act Belong Commit have developed a range of resources to form a practical and easy to implement Volunteer Toolkit,

designed to help organisations and groups recruit, retain and recognise their volunteers.

Partners are encouraged to explore both the Act Belong Commit and Volunteering WA websites to help develop and implement appropriate volunteer management processes.

Links to key websites and resources have been shared below.

### Key websites

-  [actbelongcommit.org.au/my-mental-health/volunteering](https://actbelongcommit.org.au/my-mental-health/volunteering)
-  [volunteeringwa.org.au](https://volunteeringwa.org.au)
-  [volunteeringaustralia.org/get-involved/nvw](https://volunteeringaustralia.org/get-involved/nvw)

### Key resources

- [Volunteering WA Volunteer Management Handbook](#)
- [Act Belong Commit Volunteer Toolkit](#)
- [Act Belong Commit Volunteer Retention Strategy](#)
- [Act Belong Commit Volunteer Week resources](#)