



Planning for Spontaneous Volunteers Clinic



This clinic provides guidance on applying the principles to plan for spontaneous volunteers in disasters, as outlined in the **Communities Responding to Disasters: Planning for Spontaneous Volunteers Handbook**.

In these interactive clinics, participants are provided with the skills and resources to work with and plan for spontaneous volunteers.

In addition to the lead presenter, guest presenters in each jurisdiction provide context and information specific to the local setting. Participants collaborate to examine opportunities and barriers for their own organisations, and to identify how to effectively plan for and engage with spontaneous volunteers before, during and after an emergency.


Audience

- These clinics are designed to benefit those working with, and planning for spontaneous volunteers before, during and after an emergency event.
- The clinic will support those working in volunteer management, recruitment and policymaking from organisations such as local, state, and Commonwealth governments; volunteering groups including emergency volunteers; community groups; and emergency services and emergency management organisations.

View the [Communities Responding to Disasters: Planning for Spontaneous Volunteers Handbook](#) on the AIDR Knowledge Hub.



About our facilitator

 Anne Leadbeater, OAM

Anne is an independent national consultant specialising in disaster recovery and community resilience. Her background is in community development and adult education, working first in the neighbourhood house sector and then for 16 years in local and state government.

Anne has worked with communities recovering from drought, fire, flood and cyclone in Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia and Queensland, and in 2014, she headed an international team to evaluate the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal for New Zealand Red Cross.

An experienced community engagement practitioner, Anne was a judge of the 2017 and 2019 Core Values Awards for the International Association of Public Participation Australasia (IAP2). She is a current member of the Australian Red Cross 2019/20 Bushfire Appeal Panel and the Melbourne University Beyond Disasters Research Advisory Group.

Anne designs and delivers national training for recovery practitioners and in 2018, she completed a review of the Community Recovery Handbook for the Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience. Anne lives in Kinglake, Victoria and was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia for her work in the aftermath of the 2009 'Black Saturday' bushfires.