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City of Nedlands Thank a Volunteer Sundowner

The City of Nedlands hosted a sundowner to thank the volunteers of the City for their kindness and generosity in their much needed roles of volunteering.

An evening of inspiration was displayed at the Thank a Volunteer Sundowner held at Mount Claremont Community Centre, Thursday 17 May 2012 to celebrate the valuable contribution volunteers make to our community.

Mayor Max Hipkins made a speech to thank our volunteers who work tirelessly in the community.

“This event is just a small acknowledgement of the time and effort volunteers make towards our hospitals, community care, sporting and recreation organisations, friends of groups, schools and playgroups,” Mayor Max Hipkins said.

“Volunteers create cohesion within the community. The valuable contribution that they create to make this country is immense.

“International Volunteer Day is an opportunity for all Australians to take some time out to reflect on the fantastic, selfless work of volunteers, and to thank those volunteers who make a difference in our own lives.

“Without the continual dedication of volunteers, many valuable services that rely on voluntary work could be lost,” Mayor Max Hipkins said.

More than 5.4 million Australians give up some of their time to volunteer, contributing 700 million hours of voluntary work each year.

From just a few hours a week or several days a month, Australian volunteers make a difference at home and also overseas.

Volunteering can be extremely rewarding and I encourage all of you to think about ways in which you could get involved,” Mayor Max Hipkins said.

Volunteering brings a range of benefits, from meeting new people and exploring new places to practical work experience. You can gain as much as you give in the commitment to volunteering.

To find out more about International Volunteer Day, or to get involved in volunteering in your local area, visit www.volunteeringaustralia.org

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