



# Tony Simpson MLA

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## Nominations now open for WA Senior Awards

Nominations are now open for the WA Seniors Awards. These awards provide the WA community with a chance to recognise those seniors who contribute so much to society with little or no thanks or recognition.

Local MLA Tony Simpson has called on those who know someone over 60 who contributes above and beyond to nominate them for one of these awards.

“This is a great chance for our community to recognise the many seniors who do so much for us without asking for anything, even a thankyou,” said Mr Simpson.

“Anyone who knows of an older person who contributes something to the broader community should nominate them.”

Any not-for-profit organisation that nominates a person for this award who then goes on to win in any of the four categories will receive a \$1000 prize which they can use to further their good works in the community.

The categories available are:

- Community participation;
- Community achievement;
- Business participation;
- Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander leadership; and
- The active ageing leadership award.

With the winners receiving a \$2000 cash prize, as well as the much-deserved recognition for the contribution they have made to their community.

There will also be 10 Regional Seniors of the Year, for the regions of Gascoyne, Goldfields, Great Southern, Kimberley, Metropolitan, Mid-West, Peel, Pilbara, South-West and the Wheatbelt.

Each Regional winner will receive a trophy and a \$500 cash prize.

Nominations are open to all Western Australians over 60 years of age.

“There are many seniors who contribute so much to society.

“However, many of these people have been giving so much for so long, without any recognition at all.

“We must use this opportunity to thank them for all of their hard work.”

Nominations close Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> of July. For further information or a nomination form contact the office of Tony Simpson on 9525 4822.

Nomination forms are also available at <http://www.seniorscard.wa.gov.au>

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