

**Volunteer Task Force winner of Perth Airport
'Volunteer of the Year Award'
In 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards**

Volunteer Taskforce was one of many Western Australian small businesses awarded in the 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards on the 22nd of October 2015. The winners were showcased at the 'Night of Stars Event' in the Ballroom of the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The awards provide a fantastic opportunity for small and growing enterprises from Belmont and across Western Australia to be recognised for their achievements.

To start proceedings, a Welcome to Country was given by Ingrid Cumming from Kart Koort Wiern. Chair of the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre, Jules Lewin gave the official welcome, and then WA State Manager, Dianne May, from the Department of Industry delivered a message on behalf of The Hon Kelly O'Dwyer, Minister Small Business and Assistant Treasurer. The Mayor of the City of Belmont, Cr Phil Marks also gave an update on business in Belmont. MC's for the evening were Past Chair of Belmont BEC Tim Hammond and TCF WA Vice Chair Jasmyn Mumme. Attendees on the night enjoyed a WA Designer Showcase which was supported by Silverstar Designs (designer Margaret Sylvester), Ava (designer Petra Vanessie and Holly Barker Millinery), Breathless (designer Helen Rimpas) and Arcaro Couture (designer Angelina Arcaro). Thank you to all models and Danique De Kat from the Metro Modelling and Dance Academy in Cockburn.

Winner of the 'Volunteer of the Year Award' was Volunteer Task Force. Volunteer Task Force has been serving the community for more than 45 years. Their mission is to deliver services that support independence, enhance safety and amenity of people, and to build community through volunteering. Their services are aimed at supporting those who have difficulty with everyday tasks due to frailty or disability. Volunteer Task Force provides services to more than 5,700 clients across the greater Perth Metropolitan region and their key to success is that they are an integral part of the community.

Presenter of the award Julie Coleman from Perth Airport said, "As the gateway to Western Australia, and with an exciting phase of redevelopment well underway, Perth Airport's own Gold Coat Volunteer Program is vital to ensure that passengers and visitors to the airport are provided with information and assistance within the international and domestic terminals. The airport recognises the invaluable contribution that volunteers like the Gold Coats make to the community, and would like to congratulate the winner of the Volunteer of the Year Award and all entrants in this category."

For further details on all winners of the 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards 2015 visit www.belmontbec.com/awards

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