Tasmanian LIFE Awards 2011
Call For Nominations Closing Friday 4 November

You are invited to nominate a person of business for the Tasmanian LIFE Awards 2011. The Awards recognise life-affirming work in suicide prevention. In 2011, the Awards will be judged in two categories:

**The Red Herring Surf Light Up Life Award**
A growing number of Tasmanian’s are taking action to promote the mental health and wellbeing of individual communities. This action takes place in everyday contexts such as sports clubs, the natural environment, workplaces, schools and businesses.

There are many dimensions to mental health and wellbeing - our mental health and wellbeing leaders are not only active in health care settings. They may be working in our community to strengthen access to services for newly arrived Tasmanians; singing regularly at a residential care home for older people; building an understanding of mental health and wellbeing in the corporate sector; running a regular exercise or craft group in a rural area; mentoring young people disengaged from school or designing better use of green spaces for outdoor activity for local communities.

This award acknowledges the importance of positive mental health and wellbeing to overall health and values the commitment of Tasmanians who often underestimate the value of the work that they do.

Do you know someone who is a leading light in the promotion of mental health and wellbeing? Then nominate them for the first Light Up Life Award.

**The TASPLAN Communities in Action on Suicide Prevention Life Award**
Communities are about people. People connected by a shared interest, vision, location, or belief. Tasmania’s Suicide Prevention Strategy acknowledges that acknowledges that suicide prevention in Tasmania requires action within ready communities.

The TASPLAN Communities in Action on Suicide Prevention Award recognises the critical role that communities play in identifying and taking action in suicide prevention. This action may involve collective lobbying for a change at a government or corporate level or direct action on the ground through suicide prevention programs and service provision. It may involve collaborative research efforts or the delivery of suicide prevention training.

Are you part of a community that is working to prevent suicide? Then nominate now.
Completing A Nomination

Nominations can be made by completing a Nomination Form, available from Statewide and Mental Health Services by ringing 6230 7780 or download from the Department of Health and Human Services website http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/ type in under search ‘Tasmanian LIFE Awards’.

Thank you to our sponsors Tasplan and Red Herring Surf each category award winner will receive a plaque and a cash prize of up to $1,000. Awards are presented in early December 2011.

Judging:

• The panel will be comprised of three independent judges. The judging panel will assess entries against the following criteria:
  • In what ways has the individual, group or organisation contributed to the promotion of life and the prevention of suicide:
  • What has been the effect of this contribution?
  • How has this contribution been measured?

Together with the nomination form, applicants should provide a brief description of the work or activities being nominated and address the judging criteria. This description should contain the contextual framework (e.g. planning and implementation surrounding the activity), outcomes, and some indication of future activity and/or application of learning from the activity. The support document should be limited to two A4 sized pages or approximately 750 words.

Preference will be given to third party nominations.

Completed nomination forms and supporting documentation must be received by close of business, Friday 4 November 2011

Nominations can be submitted by email to janette.papps@dhhs.tas.gov.au or by post to:
Tasmanian LIFE Awards
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Statewide and Mental Health Services
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