



Memorandum

To:	All NSW Clubs and Branches
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Subject:	Scholarship Opportunity – AIDR Emergency Management Volunteer Scholarships Round 3 (Closing 14 May 2018)

On behalf of the Federal Government the Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience (AIDR) is offering the **AIDR Emergency Management Volunteer Scholarship Rd 3**, which is now open and **closes on 14 May 2018**.

The million dollar scholarship fund has been established to recognise the complex service delivered by volunteers and the high-level skills and leadership required to respond to emergency situations.

Funding is available for the reimbursement of education and training costs for volunteers in an emergency management agency that wish to undertake studies in accredited units or courses in emergency and disaster management vocational training and education, and higher education.

The amount of funding depends on the level and type of qualification intended and the number of units of study intended to complete in the funding period, with the maximum amount capped as follows:

- **Up to \$12,000 for vocational education and training**
- **Up to \$25,000 for higher education**

The scholarship is available to approved applicants, being those that:

- Australian citizens or permanent residents that reside in Australia
- Volunteer in an emergency management agency, that is either:
 - A member of the Australian Emergency Management Volunteer Forum (or an affiliate of) and/or
 - A government or non-government agency with a defined role in state or territory emergency management arrangements

Key points to note:

- Funding is provided as a reimbursement on successful completion of the study
- Applications for whole courses or single or multiple units with a primary focus in emergency and disaster management will be considered
- The scholarship cannot be used to fund research degrees or associated expenses
- At least a written character reference and contact details from the manager of their volunteer role must be provided

Further details and access to the application portal <https://www.aidr.org.au/programs/scholarships-for-volunteers/>

Should you wish to apply please contact SLSNSW Membership Manager Claire Bevis to discuss the endorsement of your scholarship application on 02 9471 8000 or cbevis@surflifesaving.com.au