

[Name and address of your MP]

[Date]

Dear [include Hon. if your MP is a Minister, or Mr/Mrs/Dr/Ms, first name initial, last name] MP,

As a member of your electorate, I am writing to ask you to commit to supporting Queensland's inspiring volunteers.

Throughout the recent fire and flood seasons, and the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the indispensable quality of volunteers has been clearly demonstrated. Queenslanders will always step up in times of need, but strong, effective, and coordinated leadership is required to turn their goodwill into successful outcomes. During both times of disaster and fortune, the capacity and strength of the volunteering sector requires investment and support to reflect the continuing benefits that volunteers provide in all aspects of Queensland life.

[Volunteers – Add your personal volunteering experience including any local volunteer organisations you are involved with and what makes you want to speak up on this issue.]

[Volunteer organisations – Include information about the value of volunteers to your volunteer organisation and what makes you want to speak up on this issue.]

With [number of volunteers in your local area – check <u>ABS 2016 Census QuickStats</u> for your local data] volunteers in [suburb/ electorate], I would like to see [political party] commit to funding six key opportunities that will build community resilience, increase volunteer participation rates and support volunteer organisations. To learn more, read Volunteering Queensland's Volunteer Sector Election Platform, available at **yolunteeringqld.org.au/election**.

I urge you to share [political party]'s policy for volunteering as this election I will be voting in the best interests of 714,138 Queenslanders who volunteer and contribute \$11.6 billion to the Queensland economy.

I look forward to receiving your reply.

[Hand sign or insert and electronic signature]

[Your first and last name] [Your address] [Your telephone number] [Your email address]

