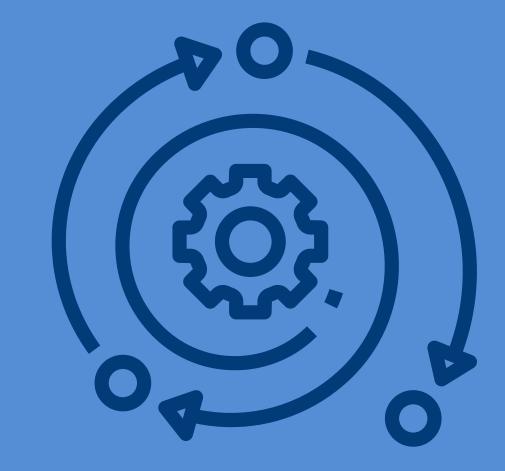
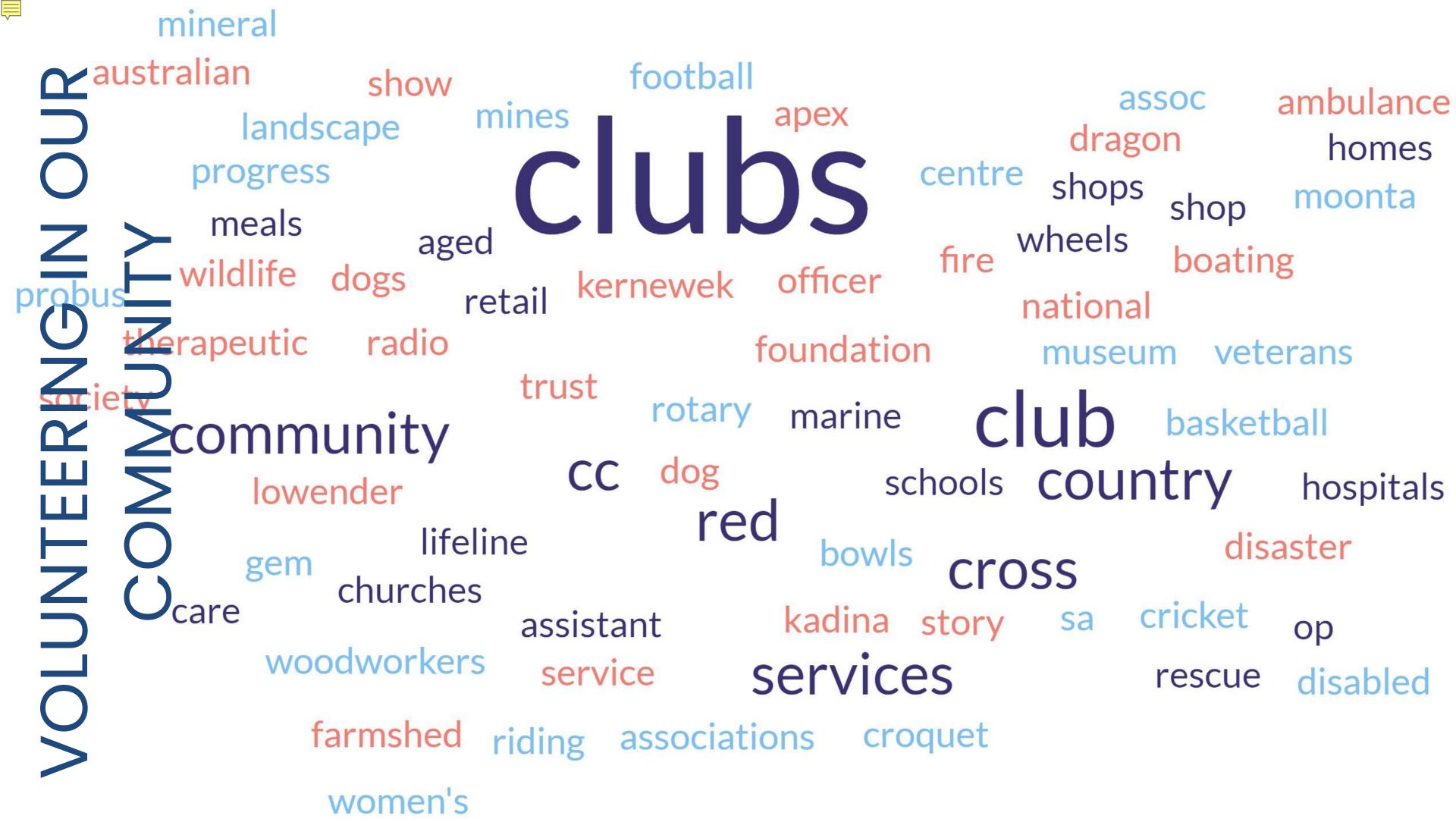
#### CARE IN MOTION Community Care and Transport 3 WAYS VOLUNTEERINGIS IMPROVING WELLBEINGINTHIS COMMUNITY



## IMPACT



- For Volunteers
- Benefits for Recipients
- Community as a Whole





#### Transport Program

- Community Passenger Network
- Health Bus & Community Bus

#### Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Scheme

 friendly volunteers for older people who are at risk of loneliness or social isolation

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."

- Coretta Scott King

#### Theories of Happiness

Positive psychology is a school of thought devoted

to understanding what leads

people and communities to flourish.

Five agreed-upon factors

boost well-being.

1. Positive emotion

2.Engagement

3. Relationships

4. Meaning

5.Accomplishment

#### Health Benefits of Giving to Others

Giving delivers a host of benefits to the body and brain. Whether you give your time or money, you can experience:

- Lower blood pressure
- Lower stress levels
- Less anxiety and depression
- Increased self-esteem

# "THERE IS MORE HAPPINESS IN GIVING THAN THERE IS IN RECEIVING."



#### 1 IMPACT FOR VOLUNTEERS



- Provides opportunity to give back to my community
- Gives me a sense of a chievement

and purpose

"Makes me happy and feel needed"...Jan "It's appreciated by the clients so I know I am doing a little bit to help others"...Michael

#### WHY VOLUNTEER?



- Helps me to meet new people and feelconnected
- 4. Ifeelpart of a community
- 5. Improves my selfesteem and

confidence

"I Just love being able to bring the outside world into their lives. For over 30 years I have had the privilege of being a friend to many"....Rosemary

### VOLUNTEERING BARRIERS

Will they accept my application?

Will I know what to do and how to do it?

Will I be safe?

Do I really have enough time?

Will I be treated with respect?

Will I be able to have a real impact?

Can I afford it (the transportation, time off work, etc.)?

Will I fit in with others?

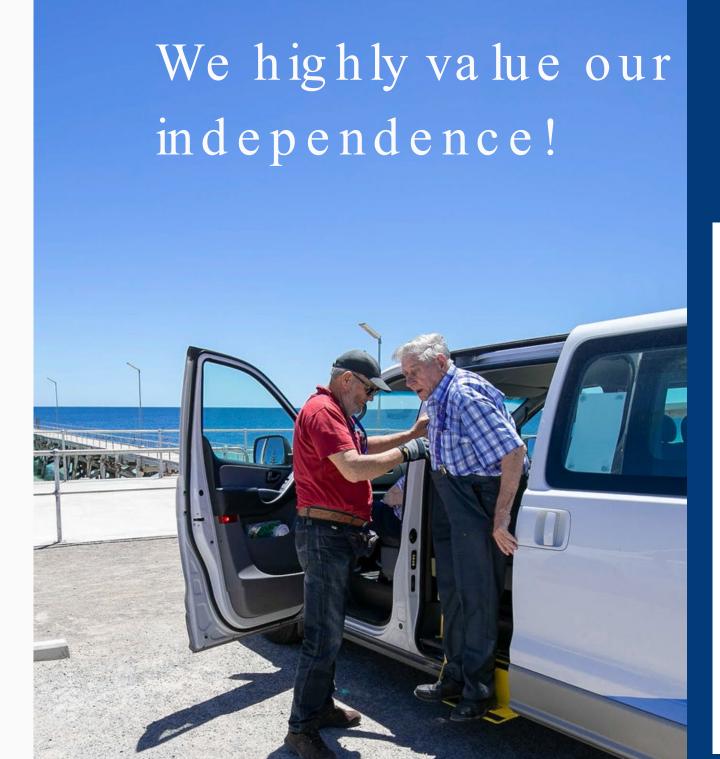
What, exactly, will they be asking me to do?

Will I be comfortable doing it?

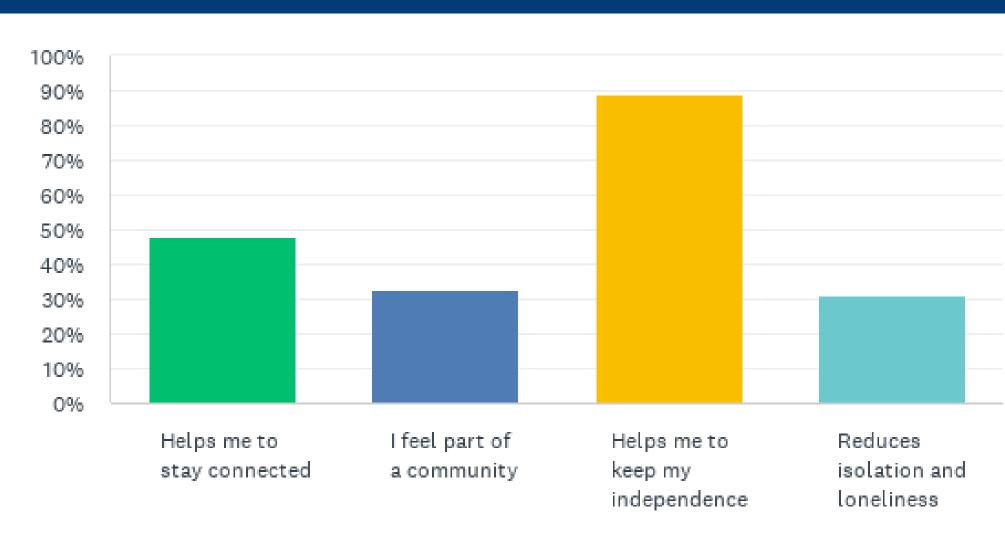




## BENEFITS FOR RECIPIENTS



- 1. Helps me to keep my independence
- 2. Helps me to stay connected
- 3. Ifeelpart of a community
- 4. Reduces isolation and lone liness



# BARRIERS TO RECEIVING HELP



Learning to accept help requires, among other things, the willingness to drop the idea that one is a "burden" if they do.

Science Journal - Psychology Today





GENEROSITY IS A TWO-WAY
STREET FROM WHICH EVERYONE
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# WE ALL NEED SUPPORT

When we allow others to help us

- We feel closer to them, they feel closer to us
- We let them express their feeling for us
- Deepens our connection
- It can feel rewarding
- We feel more known and supported
- They experience the joy of helping

### Value of Volunteering

National Strategy for Volunteering 202333



"Volunteering is seen as the single most impactful way to realise individual and collective potential to create and sustain thriving communities."

#### CiM Volunteers

Volunteers Active: 138

Trips:2,153

Visits: 621

\$599,114

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Hours:12,851

\*21/22 year \*\* ABS value of a volunteer



#### 3 BENEFITS TO OUR COMMUNITY



Economic - Helps to create civicminded individuals who are more likely to take action to improve their communities.



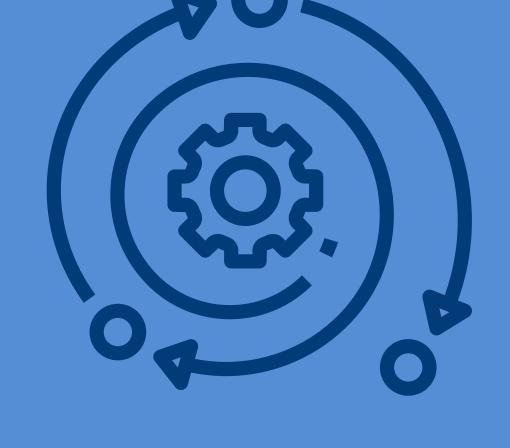
The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare states:

Volunteers substantially benefit their communities through providing important services to others. They may also bring new insights to the organisations or groups for which they volunteer, increase efficiencies and improve effectiveness.

## INAPACT?

• For Volunteers





• Benefits for Recipients (V)



Whole Community



## TALK TO ME ABOUT VOLUNTEERING!

# OR HOW OUR VOLUNTEERS CAN HELP

