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VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR COMMUNITY

s we mark National Volunteers Week, JNF Australia proudly salutes the extraordinary individuals who so generously give their time, energy and hearts.

From collecting Blue Boxes and making calls on Green Sunday, to assisting at events and championing JNF's mission throughout the community, our volunteers are truly the lifeblood of our organisation.

In Jewish tradition, volunteering is more than an act of kindness - it is a sacred duty. The concept of Tikkun Olam reminds us that each of us has a role to play in making the world a better place.

Ashley Brygel, who has been collecting Blue Boxes since 1984, puts it simply: "We all have our favourite charities and I am particularly passionate about the Jewish National Fund."

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Ashley has recently been nominated for the Victoria Blue Box Worker of the Year award - a testament to his decades of dedication.

One of the most powerful expressions of our community's spirit is seen during Green Sunday, JNF Australia's annual



Habonim volunteers at JNF Green Sunday.

campaign that unites volunteers of all ages. From high school students discovering the joy of giving back to longtime JNForever members whose lifetimes of service continue to inspire.

Everyone comes together, united in purpose, to raise vital funds that strengthen the land and people of Israel. National president Steven Salamon reflects: "It's so rewarding and encouraging to see people of all ages from our community come together to volunteer. In particular, there's something special about Green Sunday. It's one day where we all

roll up our sleeves, work side by side, and feel like we're part of something much bigger. We are deeply grateful to every one of our volunteers. Your dedication doesn't just sustain our work – it uplifts the spirit of the entire Jewish community in Australia and beyond."

When tragedy struck again with the recent wildfires around Jerusalem's forests, JNF's emergency campaign launched immediately, and our volunteers were among the first to act.

The damage was overwhelming. In just over 24 hours, entire forests were wiped out. Volunteers stepped in to raise urgent funds for fire response, rehabilitation and reforestation - a recovery effort that will take decades, but begins now.

If you've ever thought about giving your time to make a lasting impact, there's never been a better moment to get involved. Join us and be part of something bigger. To donate, please visit jnf.org.au/fires25

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