

The King's Award for Voluntary Service

The MBE for volunteer groups

Nominations for The King's Award for Voluntary Service are open from June to September every year.

Nominations must be submitted using the online form at:

https://kavs.dcms.gov.uk/

The nomination form and letters of support <u>must not</u> be written or submitted by a volunteer, employee, trustee or anyone involved with the running of the group.

The Awards are published on **14th November**, His Majesty's birthday.

The King's Award for Voluntary Service (KAVS) is for exceptional groups of volunteers who are making a positive impact in their community and benefiting others through their work. We are looking for volunteers who have taken the initiative to create, lead and drive forward the work of their organisation and are doing this in a way that is truly distinctive and excellent.













Eligibility Requirements

- ✓ The group must be made up of three or more people.
- ✓ The group must be based in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man.
- ✓ The group must have been operating for at least three years.
- ✓ It must provide a specific local benefit.
- ✓ KAVS is not intended for national organisations. However, an individual branch that serves a local community can be nominated.
- ✓ We are looking for evidence that the volunteers are initiating and managing the group's work. We would expect the group to have more volunteers than paid staff.
- More than half the group's volunteers must have the right of residence in the UK.
- X Groups operating solely for the benefit of animals are not eligible.

For detailed requirements and more information about groups that are branches of national organisations, based in statutory settings, fundraising and/or grant giving visit: https://kavs.dcms.gov.uk

