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The LGA has opened nominations for this year's prestigious Jim Hullick Award, which recognises public sector employees.

The Award recognises public sector employees who demonstrate effective collaboration and go 'above and beyond' in their work with local government.

LGA President Angela Evans said the award was an opportunity to recognise those in the public sector who work closely with the local government sector showing mutual respect, a commitment to working together and achieving positive outcomes.

"Councils work closely with the state and federal government to deliver key services and programs for communities, and this award is one way we can acknowledge their contributions, partnership approach and ways they make a difference," Mayor Evans said.

Last year's winner, Emergency Management Coordinator for South Australia Police Senior Sergeant Russell Dippy was recognised for his collaborative work across councils and state agencies and his advocacy which saw the role of local government formally recognised in the State Emergency Management Plan in 20

Police Sergeant Russell Dippy said he was honoured to receive the award.

"I have worked closely with councils on emergency management for many years, including bushfires, floods and most recently the COVID-19 pandemic," SSGT Dippy said.

"In emergency situations, being able to tap into the local insights and resources of councils is crucial".

Mayor Evans said the award was also an opportunity to promote the incredible partnerships with local government and called on everyone to consider nominating someone who has played a significant role in working with councils or the broader sector.

"I encourage council members and staff, regional local government associations, state and federal government employees to consider someone they could put forward for nomination," Mayor Evans said.

"Public sector employees are not in the habit of highlighting their achievements, and they often need a bit of encouragement to step into the spotlight – this award is a great way to showcase their work."

The Jim Hullick award was named to honour and celebrate the strong partnerships local government has with other tiers of government and was established by the LGA's long-serving Chief Executive Officer Jim Hullick, who served from 1975 to 1996.

Nominations for the award close 16 September 2022.

To find out more or to submit a nomination visit: www.lga.sa.gov.au/jimhullick

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