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Subiaco volunteer wins award for lifetime contribution

City of Subiaco volunteer Joan Muhling has won the Lifetime Volunteer Award in the Western Australian Volunteer of the Year Awards which were presented at a special gala event on Thursday 15 May.

Joan has volunteered with Meals on Wheels in Subiaco for over forty years and has been an integral part of shaping the program into one of the best Meals on Wheels providers in Western Australia.

City of Subiaco Mayor Heather Henderson said Joan's passion and dedication to the Meals on Wheels program has had an immeasurable impact on the community, and on the lives of the individuals who rely on the Meals on Wheels service.

"Without the hard work of volunteers like Joan, these services would simply be unable to run."

She added: "Joan has truly dedicated a lifetime to volunteering and is a very worthy recipient of this award. Subiaco is so lucky to have her."

Joan volunteered for a regular meal delivery run in 1970 and is now the longest standing volunteer for the Meals on Wheels program in the City of Subiaco.

Joan's volunteering history goes back even further than this, starting with the Voluntary Air Observers Corps in the Royal Australian Airforce in 1944.

She also undertook a variety of other volunteer roles from helping out as a bus driver for patients of Claremont Mental Hospital, to organising fundraising for various children's charities, but it was when she first settled into Subiaco with her family that she found her true calling.

The city's Meals on Wheels program provides approximately 17 000 meals every year to 150 residents, with meals cooked daily and delivered entirely by volunteers.

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