

Media Release

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2026 Road Safety Awards Showcase the Programs Making a Real Difference

The Australian Road Safety Awards, presented by AAMI, today celebrated organisations and communities across the country who are driving meaningful change and helping Australians become safer road users.

Held at Parliament House in Canberra, the 15th Annual Awards are an initiative of the Australian Road Safety Foundation (ARSF). More than a celebration, the Awards shine a national spotlight on programs that are lifting standards, strengthening community resilience and demonstrating what is possible when we work together to reduce road trauma.

The 2026 Awards come at a critical time, with communities across Australia continuing to feel the profound impact of rising road trauma. This year's award recipients reflect the breadth of Australia's road safety effort, from community-led behaviour change campaigns to school-based education programs, innovative enforcement technologies and major infrastructure improvements. Each program demonstrates a clear commitment to safer behaviours, safer environments and stronger support for those affected by road trauma.

This year's Awards set a new benchmark, attracting a record 128 entries across 10 categories, an unmistakable signal of the growing national urgency around road safety and the collective commitment of organisations, governments and communities to drive real, measurable change. Category Winners were honoured for setting the standard in best practice and delivering proven impact, while Recognition Awards celebrated organisations pushing boundaries with exceptional dedication, innovation and leadership in saving lives on our roads.

ARSF Founder and Chair, Russell White, said the calibre of entries this year highlights both the urgency of the national road safety challenge and the leadership emerging across the country.

"We congratulate Blacktown City Council as the recipient of the Founder's Award for Outstanding Achievement, recognising a truly exceptional program driving real and lasting change through deep community connection, local insight and safer behaviours."

"At the same time, we know the impact of road trauma does not end at the crash. Today, we are proud to launch our Journey to Recovery pathway, designed to focus on ensuring no one affected by road trauma is left to navigate recovery alone."

"The Australian Road Safety Foundation is proud to announce the launch of our new CARE pillar; an essential step forward in strengthening how we support people impacted by road trauma. This initiative will deliver clearer pathways to immediate crisis care and hands-on support, helping individuals and families stabilise, cope and rebuild at the moment they need it most. It represents a

critical shift toward a more coordinated, compassionate national response to the human impact of road trauma.”

Hosted by Mark Beretta OAM, the ceremony welcomed distinguished guests including ARSF Ambassador Craig Lowndes OAM and AAMI Ambassador, Ryley Batt OAM, alongside industry leaders and representatives from government, business and community sectors.

The Awards form part of ARSF’s national suite of programs, including Fatality Free Friday, Rural Road Safety Month, Work Related Road Safety Month, Christmas Road Safety and the education program RoadSet. ARSF will continue working with communities, industry and government to drive national action and support programs that save lives.

The Winners of the 15th Annual Australian Road Safety Awards presented by AAMI:	
Community Programs Award <i>Presented by AAMI</i>	Healthy Cities Australia <i>More Than a Cyclist</i>
School Programs Award <i>Presented by AAMI</i>	Trundle Central School <i>Learning now for our driving future</i>
Indigenous Programs Award <i>Presented by AAMI</i>	On-Country Pathways <i>Driver-Mentor Program</i>
Rural & Remote Programs Award <i>Presented by ELGAS</i>	Driver Reviver Australia <i>Driver Reviver Australia</i>
Heavy Vehicle Safety Award <i>Presented by Scania</i>	Construction and Logistics Community Safety Australia <i>Construction and Logistics Community Safety Standard Accreditation</i>
Innovation Programs Award <i>Presented by Licensys</i>	Mobility and Accessibility for Children and Adults Ltd (MACA) <i>A national program to improve safe road use for children and young people with disability</i>
Technology Award <i>Presented by Subaru</i>	Acusensus <i>Acusensus is Changing Seatbelt Behaviours, Saving Lives</i>
Workplace Road Safety Award <i>Presented by AAMI</i>	LGC Traffic Management <i>Connected and Protected - AI Safety on WA Worksites</i>
Local Government Programs Award <i>Presented by myPlates</i>	Blacktown City Council <i>Socials Connecting Our Community</i>

The Winners of the 15th Annual Australian Road Safety Awards presented by AAMI:

State Government Programs Award <i>Presented by AAMI</i>	Transport for NSW & GHD <i>Enhance Road Safety Planning at Level Crossings using Predictive Analytics</i>
Judges Recognition Awards <i>Presented by ARSF</i>	1. Transport for NSW <i>Road Safety Learning Lab</i> 2. City of Vincent <i>40km/h Speed Zone Project</i>
Founder Award for Outstanding Achievement <i>Presented by ARSF and AAMI</i>	Blacktown City Council <i>Socials Connecting Our Community</i>

Further information on this year's entrants can be found at [Australian Road Safety Awards – ARSF](#)

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