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**Volunteer**  
with St John Ambulance  
Australia (NT) Inc.  
**Build Your Story**

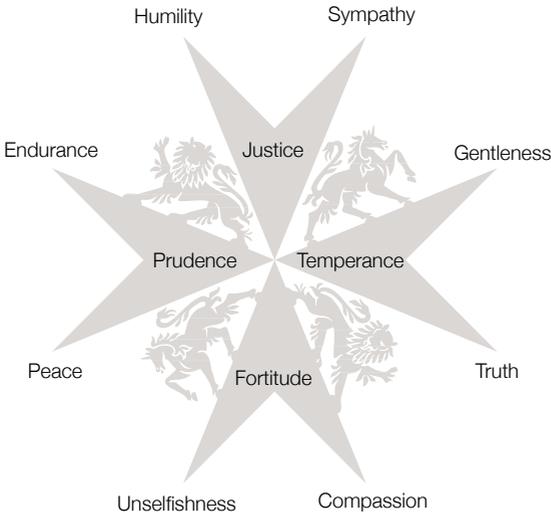
# The Amalfi Cross

The Amalfi Cross with Heraldic Beasts represents the history and heritage of St John Ambulance. It portrays TRUST and RESPECT borne of our long history spent helping people.

The **four arms** of the white cross represent the modern Order of St John and symbolises the virtues.

The **eight points**, which stem from the four arms, represent the qualities of a good First Aider.

The **lions and unicorns** are the supporters of the Royal Coat of Arms granted by the British Crown and indicate that St John is a Royal Order. The emblem directly links the Australian organisation to St John worldwide.



In 2019/2020 St John NT volunteers:



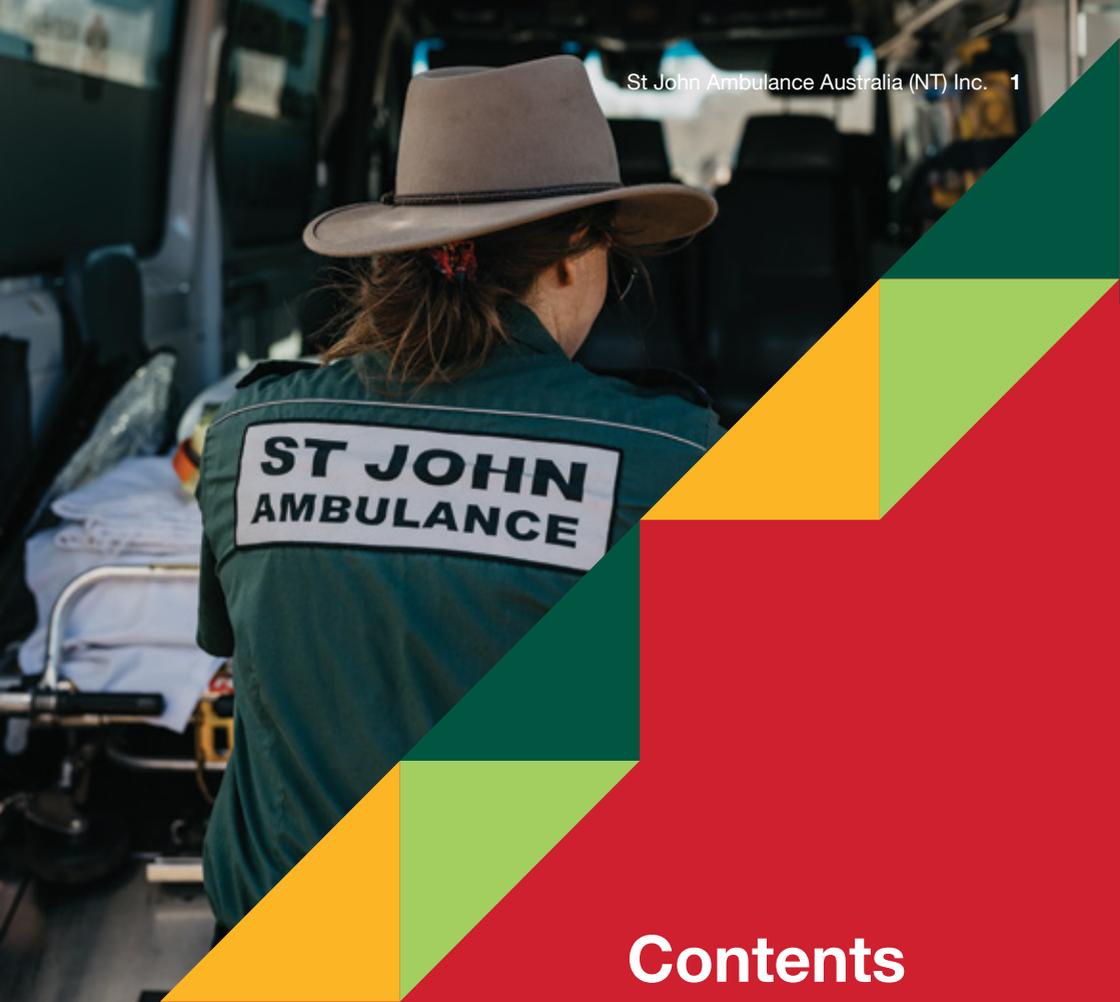
Provided First Aid  
coverage across the  
Territory at  
**531 events**



Delivered Community  
Education to  
**5,731 people**



Total of  
**12,555**  
volunteer  
hours



*"The best thing about volunteering with St John NT is the people I work with, the appreciation you see from people when you provide them with assistance, and knowing that I am helping people in their time of need."*

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# Our Mission

To be the leading provider of First Aid and ambulance services in the Northern Territory.



## Our Values

### **Integrity**

acting honestly and reliably when delivering our services.

### **Respect**

treat our people with respect at all times: ourselves, our colleagues, our members and all the people we support.

### **Quality**

highest quality service delivery, training, development and clinical standards.

### **Dedication**

actions are undertaken with commitment, enthusiasm and loyalty protecting our people, our patients and the environment.

### **Compassion**

caring about all members of our diverse community.

# Introduction

St John Ambulance Australia (NT) Inc. (St John NT) is a not-for-profit organisation with charitable status dedicated to helping people in sickness, distress, suffering or danger.

We have been active in the Northern Territory for 70 years, and internationally are part of a wider organisation with a long and honourable history.

St John NT provides First Aid services and community education to build resilience and public safety. We are also contracted by the Northern Territory Government to provide the road ambulance emergency response in key locations across the Northern Territory.

The first Northern Territory volunteer division was formed in Darwin in late 1952. We have been serving the Northern Territory community since, ensuring that members of the public have access to First Aid services at a range of community and public events.

We're fortunate to have more than 350 volunteers Territory-wide, aged from eight years to the more mature, who dedicate their time to supporting and giving back to the local community.

While most St John NT volunteers provide First Aid coverage at public events, we also welcome volunteers to assist with:

- Division support (Administration, Cadets & Youth divisions assistance, training)
- Logistics (equipment, planning and setting up of First Aid posts)
- Training Support - our volunteers all hold nationally accredited qualifications which is delivered by our Volunteer Training Officers. We are always looking for more people to share their skills!
- First Aid in Schools program - non-accredited, potentially life-saving skills for kids. Help kids save lives!
- Bicycle Emergency Response Team (*available in Darwin only*)
- Community Response Team (*available in selected regional areas only*)
- Volunteer Duty Officer (provides first point of contact for advice to on-the-ground Event Health Services Volunteers)

# Why volunteer with us?

St John NT is the premier provider of Event Health Services and pre-hospital emergency services in the Northern Territory. Each year our volunteers provide comprehensive services at a range of events across the NT, and in 2020 attended 531 events and volunteered 12,555 hours. In addition to Event Health, wwwSt John NT run the Junior and Cadet youth programs. Volunteer divisions can also be activated for community service during emergencies and disasters.

St John NT offers a unique range of opportunities and experiences to our volunteers, as it recognises, rewards, develops and nurtures the growth of everyone.

At St John NT, we promote self-learning and development. No matter where you live in the Northern Territory, you can build your story and make a positive impact in the community by becoming a St John NT volunteer.

All St John NT volunteers have the opportunity to learn life-saving skills, attend amazing events, make life-long friendships, and make a positive impact in their community.

## As a volunteer you will have access to:

- A wide variety of roles to provide a service to your community
- Year-round training/development programs tailored to suit your individual abilities, whether you're a new First Aider or an experienced healthcare professional
- Internal training programs designed to develop leadership and specialist skill sets

*"Your time is the most valuable thing you can donate.*

*Use yours to make a meaningful impact"*

## You will be given the opportunity to:

- Learn life-saving skills from experienced and knowledgeable experts in the medical field
- Make life-long friendships with likeminded people
- Be part of exciting community, cultural, sporting and music events across the Northern Territory
- Work with our professional paramedics
- Become a part of the Territory's response to emergencies
- Have exposure to employment pathways
- Make a difference in your community

*“We look after you so you can look after others”*

## Benefits to you

- Nationally recognised First Aid training in Provide First Aid and Advanced First Aid
- St John Ambulance Australia uniform
- Pathway to further your knowledge and skills by completing nationally accredited training
- National and international recognition for your volunteering and community contribution
- Discounts on First Aid products and vehicle servicing from the St John Ambulance NT Workshops located in Darwin and Alice Springs.

## Reward & recognition

St John NT has a long history of recognising the outstanding contributions volunteers make to the organisation. We seek to recognise all volunteers and there are a number of distinguished national awards that you can be eligible for including our internal reward and recognition program.

## Wellbeing & support services

St John NT employees and volunteers are often exposed to traumatic and stressful situations in the course of their work. This can have a negative impact on family, social and work life.

St John NT places a very high value on the health and wellbeing of their volunteers and actively promotes and supports mental health and wellbeing in the workplace and offers Peer Support and EASA services to all employees, volunteers and their families.

*“Many exceptional individuals; one great community”*

# Territory Teams

## Event Health Services Teams

Our Event Health Services Volunteers are there when emergency assistance is required. The public can rest assured that our skilled volunteers are equipped with state-of-the-art equipment, including Automated External Defibrillators (AED) at all of the best events across the Northern Territory.

St John NT have integrated equipment across the organisation to ensure the best possible patient care and a smooth transition from Event Health Services volunteers to Ambulance Services when required.

We have a range of levels and opportunities depending on your experience or desire from First Aider, First Responder to

Advanced Responders who are trained and able to administer medications, mentor members and provide leadership throughout the community.

St John NT also welcome and recognise Health Care Professionals (HCP) including Nurses, Paramedics and Doctors who are registered with Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).

HCPs are required to undergo a St John NT credentialing process to identify an appropriate scope of practice to their skills, knowledge and experience.



## Community Response Team

The Community Response Teams (CRT) are comprised of volunteers from within the local community, providing initial and timely First Response in less populated and remote areas of the Northern Territory.

CRT teams are trained to provide advanced First Aid services and immediate care until the ambulance arrives and work on an “on call” basis.

CRT is active within the Nhulunbuy community, with a proposal to introduce the initiative into Tennant Creek in the near future.

## Bicycle Emergency Response Team

The Bicycle Emergency Response Team (BERT) is comprised of volunteers who provide First Aid on bicycles. This allows for a safe and expedient response at major events and activities such as Supercars, festivals, triathlons, and events.

Being a BERT member requires a skill level above that of just being able to ‘ride a bike’. If you would like to become involved, please register your interest through our department and we can tell you more about becoming a BERT member.



## Community Education Team

Becoming a Community Educator with St John NT is fun, rewarding and every day brings something new!

Through our First Aid in Schools program, school-aged children become equipped with the skills they need to act in an emergency.

First aid education sessions are specifically tailored to children from pre-school to year nine, and aim to ensure first aid skills are accessible to young people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

Volunteer Community Educators help to remove stigma and fear around emergencies. This includes familiarisation with ambulances and Paramedics, and equipping students with basic first aid knowledge, from calling Triple Zero (000) to CPR.

Our Community Education volunteers are passionate about working with children and helping kids save lives through teaching vital first-aid skills.

If you would like to become involved, please register your interest through our department and we can tell you more about becoming a Community Educator.

# Division & training nights

Our divisions meet weekly to maintain skills and knowledge. Each of our divisions are managed by a Superintendent. Within each division there are opportunities for members to hold different positions of accountability to support the work of St John NT Volunteers.



## Events we cover

St John NT provides Event Health Services to a range of events no matter how big, small or unique. From a first aid team at Mindil Beach Markets, to a team of qualified paramedics, health care professionals and first aiders at multi-day mass participation events and festivals.

St John NT professional volunteers and paramedics set the benchmark in our industry and undergo a range of advanced, nationally accredited qualifications to serve our community.

St John NT volunteers and paramedics are skilled and equipped to treat a wide variety of injuries. Crews can be based at a static posts or be in a response crew on foot, in a buggy on a bike or in an emergency vehicle.

Across the Northern Territory, some of the events we cover include:





## Sports

Rodeo & Campdrafts  
Marathons, Triathlons and Fun Runs  
Motorsports (including Speedway,  
Mud Racing, Quad, Motorcross &  
Karting)  
Horse racing



## Music & Cultural

Parrtjima  
Mindil Beach Sunset Markets  
Reset, Rebound and Summersalt  
concerts  
Alice Springs Mall Markets  
The Greek Glenti Festival  
Uluru Camel Cup  
Barunga Festival  
NYE Darwin Waterfront

## Major Events

Bass in the Grass  
Supercars  
Nitro up North  
Red CentreNATS  
Darwin Turf Club Carnival  
Garma Festival  
Arafura Games  
Finke Desert Race



## Community Events

Show circuit  
Bombing of Darwin  
Territory Day  
ANZAC Day  
Variety NT Bash



# How to become a volunteer

No matter where you live, or what you've learned along the way, you can make an incredible difference in your community by becoming a St John NT volunteer and learn life-saving skills.

St John NT have three levels of membership – Adult, Cadet and Junior.

Volunteer induction sessions are run once a month, for approximately two hours. As these are delivered online, they can be attended from any location.



## Adult members

- Are at least 18 years of age
- Have a valid NT Working with Children's Clearance (Ochre Card) or are willing to obtain one
- Have a current National Police Check (within the past 6 Months) or are willing to obtain one
- Are capable of study to complete the required training
- Commit to engaging in an ongoing pathway of skills development

## Youth members

St John NT Youth must:

- Be aged between 11 to 18 years old
- Be aged between 8 to 11 years old for Juniors
- Have written permissions from their parent/guardian
- Commit to engaging in an ongoing pathway of personal and skill sets development
- Obtain a NT Working with Children's Clearance (Ochre Card) upon turning 15 years of age

When new Cadet or Junior members join a division, they are known as 'Probationary Cadets'. Once they have completed the core First Aid topics, they will be promoted and known as a 'St John NT Cadet' and be issued a uniform. Members aged 16 and 17, have the option to join an Adult division if they wish.

Fitness for active duty is assessed annually against the National First Responder program.

Youth members develop leadership and social skills through our Youth Program with activities focused on First Aid. Most of all, being a St John Youth Member is about having fun!

# Next Steps

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## Enquiry

Contact us for information about volunteering

 (08) 8922 6205  [volunteers@stjohnnt.asn.au](mailto:volunteers@stjohnnt.asn.au)

 [stjohnnt.org.au](http://stjohnnt.org.au)

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## Screening

Complete our application and participate in a screening interview.

3

## Volunteer Induction

Complete our Volunteer Induction and online Child Protection Awareness course. Nominate your preferred division.

4

## Join a Division

You'll receive a personalised welcome letter and attend your first division night. Submit your uniform request form and collect your operational uniform.

5

## Health Care Professionals

Your application will be reviewed and your Clinical Level assessed. Note that you may be asked to complete a knowledge base medication assessment including equipment familiarisation and scenario based exercises to confirm knowledge.

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## Three month review

Our team will schedule a catch-up with you and your Superintendent. This is the perfect time to provide feedback!



# The Order of St John

St John NT is a charitable, non-profit, humanitarian organisation teaching first aid to the community, and delivering the Territory's ambulance service.

The organisation is part of the Australian Priory (established in 1883) of the international Order of St John. The Order is a working Royal Order of Chivalry, and a modern organisation promoting physical, mental, and spiritual health and resilience in more than 35 countries. The Order delivers activities through local St John Ambulance organisations, and the St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital in Jerusalem. The Order is accredited to the United Nations.

First aid is at the core of what the Order does. Each year St John organisations train more than 2 million people in first aid and other healthcare activities. Worldwide, the Order provides first aid to over 1.2 million global community members and reaches more than 2.5 million others with their services.

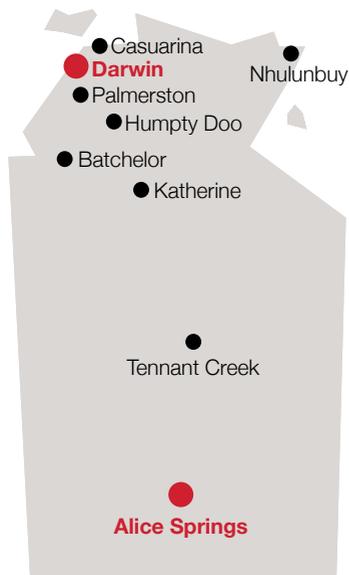
The Order of St John in England was revived in the late 1800s by volunteer citizens who drew their inspiration from the example of the medieval Knights of St John who offered care and shelter for pilgrims and crusaders. The first St John Ambulance Association was established in 1877 in England, with the aim to teach first aid---144 years later, we are still training our community in the knowledge and skills of first aid.

The Northern Territory welcomed their first St John Ambulance Brigade in Darwin in 1952 having delivered first aid training since 1915. The Administrator of the Northern Territory is recognised as the Deputy Prior of the Order of St John in the Northern Territory.





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