

# Our Emergency Services

we can't do without them.

The Emergency Services Levy was established in 1999 to fund paid and volunteer emergency services. All of the funds raised through the levy are used only to support emergency services. Approximately **93%** of our 16,500 emergency service personnel are unpaid volunteers that are critical to the provision of emergency services to the community across the State.

The Levy has helped to deliver:



**852**

fire and rescue appliances

**80**

new or refurbished emergency service stations

**12**

rescue boats.

The funds have also been used to purchase new equipment and support initiatives such as:

- Road crash rescue hydraulic equipment (jaws of life)
- Protective firefighting clothing
- Vital communications equipment.





## Birdwood Fire Service Station

**Before**

## Birdwood Fire Service Station

**After**



### The Emergency Services levy also supports:

- Volunteer Marine Rescue boats and equipment
- Summer shark patrols
- Surf Life Saving equipment and buildings
- Department for Environment, Water and Natural Resources national park firefighting.

These are a just a few examples amongst many other lifesaving initiatives that are funded by the emergency services levy.

As a householder you have access to these benefits during a time of crisis, as these are the resources emergency services will utilise to respond to your emergency.

In your community, emergency service staff and volunteers are ready to respond when you call.

### For further information

on emergency services, please visit

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