

State Emergency Service

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## Show your support and wear orange to work tomorrow

South Australians are being encouraged to wear orange to work tomorrow (Wednesday 14 November) to show their support for the State Emergency Service (SES).

Wear orange to work day is the key event of SES Week, which is being celebrated this week (Monday 12 November through to Sunday 18 November) throughout Australia.

SES Chief Officer Chris Beattie said he hoped as many as possible took the opportunity to get involved this year by wearing orange and showing their support.

“Our 1600 SES volunteers here in South Australia do a fantastic job working tirelessly to help their communities during floods, storms, road accidents and a range of other emergencies,” Mr Beattie said.

“When they are not responding to emergencies, often in the dead of night and in the very worst weather, our volunteers devote time to helping keep South Australians communities well prepared and their rescue and operational skills sharp.

“Our volunteers also provide considerable assistance to other emergency service organisations such as SA Police, the Country Fire Service (CFS) and the Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS).

“Only this week, dozens of SES volunteers from many units were deployed on the Eyre Peninsula to assist the CFS with the Tulka bushfire,” Mr Beattie said.

Over the past year nationwide SES volunteers have given up 893,057 hours to helping their communities.

Further information on SES Week, including a calendar of events, is available on the SES website [www.ses.sa.gov.au](http://www.ses.sa.gov.au)

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