

ANTI-SLAVERY AUSTRALIA FREEDOM AWARDS



Overview and Purpose

In 2023, we will mark an important year in the fight against modern slavery and will celebrate the extraordinary advances that have been made in Australia since we first celebrated the Freedom Awards in 2011.

The Anti-Slavery Australia Freedom Awards recognise the important contributions of individuals, organisations and businesses in the fight against modern slavery. The Freedom Awards also raise awareness of modern slavery and promote the positive difference that individuals, organisations, and businesses can make to the lives of those affected by modern slavery.

The 2023 Freedom Awards ceremony will be celebrated on Friday 24 March at the University of Technology Sydney.

Award Categories and Selection Criteria

Anti-Slavery Australia Freedom Awards are awarded to an individual, organisation or business for outstanding contributions to initiatives against modern slavery in the following categories:

Human Rights and Modern Slavery Medal

- This award is for an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to combating modern slavery in Australia.

Survivor leadership or advocacy Award

- This award recognises the valuable contributions of survivors through a range of activities, including the development of law and policy.

Impact Award

- Recognises effective research or policy advocacy that resulted in positive and significant influence on policy or legislation at the regional, national or international levels, **OR**
- Recognises programs, activities or initiatives that prevent, protect or support survivors of modern slavery.

Innovation Award

- The Innovation Award is awarded to an organisation, individual or business who demonstrated an innovative approach in the prevention or elimination of modern slavery in supply chains and operations.

Campaign Award

- The Campaign Award recognises effective advocacy to raise awareness of any or all forms of modern slavery.

Collaboration Award

- The Collaboration Award recognises effective partnerships and collaborations to prevent and eliminate modern slavery.

In addition, the recipient must:

- Be working within Australia or have a substantial and continuing connection to Australia; and
- Have made a sustained contribution to the area; and
- Demonstrates an ethical and best practice approach.

Modern slavery includes human trafficking, slavery and slavery-like practices such as forced labour and forced marriage.

Nominations close on **Sunday 22 January 2023**.

Selection Committee and Process

Anti-Slavery Australia Freedom Award recipients are selected by a selection committee.

The selection committee comprises of seven members, independent of Anti-Slavery Australia. Selection committee members specialise in the fields of human trafficking, slavery and human rights in Australia.

All processes and deliberations are strictly confidential:

- nominations and deliberations of the selection committee are confidential and will not be published; and
- the information provided by nominators will be used only to assist the selection committee in considering the merits of the nomination.

Nominees will be considered without regard to race, national origin, political association, religion, age or gender. Eligibility criteria are guided by the *Guidelines for NGOs Working with Trafficked People* and international best practice.

How to submit a nomination

Anti-Slavery Australia accepts nominations by email, online or in writing. Please use the nomination form that is included with these instructions. Extra pages may be attached if necessary.

Nominations must be submitted using the nomination form by **Sunday 22 January 2023**.

Nomination packages can be sent to Anti-Slavery Australia by either:

- Submit via Online Nomination Form
- Email nomination form to: FreedomAwards@uts.edu.au
- Post nomination to: FAO Ruth McLelland
Anti-Slavery Australia, University of Technology Sydney
PO Box 123 Broadway,
NSW 2007 Australia

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Date of nomination (date/month/year): ____/____/____

Your contact details	
Name:	
Organisation:	
Position/title:	
Phone:	
Email:	

Nominee's contact details	
Name:	
Organisation:	
Position/title:	
Phone:	
Email:	

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1. Which category of Freedom Award is this nomination for?

2. How do you know the person or organisation you are nominating? How long and in what context have you known them?

(approx. 150 words max)

3. Describe the work that this individual or organisation does to address modern slavery? Please include why you are nominating them in the relevant category of Award

(approx. 300 words)

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4. Describe the short term and long-term impacts that their work has had identifying, combating or preventing modern slavery. Be specific and/or quantify results whenever possible. (approx. 450 words)

5. Please provide the names and contact information for two other people who could be contacted in support of this nomination.