

HOW TO ENTER

- Award launched at media event (Feb 2020).
- Entries called for (Category Award entrants & Best Sustainable Tidy Towns entries). Most Territory regional council communities are using 'Rolling Entry'.
- Entrants can scan, photo text, email entry forms and support photo documents.
- ◆ Communities that aspire to be better and require Tidy Towns supportive 'dot point plans', scan or email for your category specific support plans.
- All Entries can be lodged by scanning, email, mobile phone photo text, or email to Keep Australia Beautiful Council (NT) and to include:
 - Returned Tidy Towns 'Self Assessment' judges sheet (tick box format)

or

- o Text and images, relevant to each SCTT category criteria
- o Text: no more than one page on each criteria please
- o Images: indexed; captioned for category/criteria
- o (photos in jpg or similar, close ups of participants appreciated)
- o Name, role/office, details of contact person included

CATEGORY CRITERIA (Brief)

♦ Suburb / Electorate / Community Participation

Actions and partnership achievements in community social development, beautification, presentation and pride. Partnership achievements by communities with all levels of government and/or business, building better major hubs and remote community societies.

♦ Innovation

Innovative projects or practices that focus on social and ecological sustainability.

♦ Litter Control/Prevention,

Achievement in community litter management and reduction of ground litter including the undertaking of litter audits, and litter education awareness programs. Waste management practices towards Best Practices. These activities will improve remote community social and environmental well-being with a positive effect on health.

♦ Resource Recovery / Waste Management

Achievement in resource recovery and landfill waste management practices including initiatives which conserve resources and encourage waste minimisation practices; the recovery of beverage containers for recycling, reuse of materials such

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as building materials, and the appropriate disposal of non-recyclable materials. These activities will achieve improved community environmental well-being.

♦ Environmental Management (Innovation & Protection) & Environment Education Achievements in innovative principles and actions associated with developing and educating sustainable communities. Also achievements associated with the protection of the natural environment and, specifically, the preservation of native flora and fauna.

♦ Water Conservation

Sustainable water management achievements within communities which has combined innovative or new water conservation and water re-use initiatives at the private, industrial and municipal levels, benefiting society and nature.

Energy Conservation

Achievements in sustainable energy management which focus on innovative or new energy efficient measures, renewable energy and climate change issues.

♦ Heritage & Culture

Community achievements which proudly preserve and value cultural history.

♦ Citizen & Youth Legends

Citizen and Youth initiatives which encourages and promotes community residential initiatives and environmental education with positive environmental and social outcomes.

♦ Be Crocwise

Recognises and acknowledges community efforts to teach and learn Be Crocwise key message taking ownership and responsibility to reduce risks associated with crocodiles.

Best House/Street (Actions & Activities)

House or Community Street actions and activities that focuses on home and street beautification and pride, delivering continuous improvements towards social and environmental development.

- ♦ Northern Territory Citizen 2020
- ♦ Best School 2020
- ♦ Best Regional Council 2020

♦ Northern Territory's Sustainable Community Tidiest Town 2020

Judge assess the communities against a range of criteria, including community pride and partnerships with government or business, innovative projects or practices that focus on social ecological sustainability, litter management, resource recovery and waste management, energy minimisation and protection of the natural environment.

The winner will be the Territory community which best exemplifies all of the elements of the judging criteria.

Importantly, when selecting finalists, judges are required to take into account each community's geographic, environmental, economic and cultural circumstances, and

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to assess how efficiently and effectively the community uses the resources available to it.

JUDGING

A judging panel will review all entries (judging criteria available at any time). Territory judge will visit potential winners in each category.

TIMING

- ♦ Award launched February 2020, last entry accepted week 1 Nov 2020
- Entrants judged up through to mid November 2020
- 27 Nov 2020 Northern Territory Finalists and National Representative announced
- ♦ 2020 Territory Tidy Towns Awards to be held in Darwin (27 Nov 2020)
- ◆ April 2021 Australian Tidiest Towns Awards NT Finalist representing our Territory

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◆ **Northern Territory Government** (NTEPA) is a major supporter of Keep Australia Beautiful Council Northern Territory and the Territory Tidy Towns program.

The Territory Government and its various Departments have key 'shared' objectives with Keep Australia Beautiful (NT). They have shared visions with the local 'Territory' community and are seriously committed to continuous improvement through community social and environment development. The Northern Territory Government, as a long term partner, regularly funds KABC(NT) community based programs and proudly supports and assists in creating community awareness of our flagship Territory Tidy Towns program, encouraging engagement and participation, creating sustainable ownership and responsibility.

Regards

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