

media release



Emergency services march with Pride

Friday, 1 November 2019

South Australia's emergency services agencies will join the community in celebrating diversity at Pride March Adelaide **this Saturday night**.

Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS), Country Fire Service (CFS) and State Emergency Service (SES) personnel, family and friends will march with hundreds of participants at Adelaide's 46th march.

MFS Chief Officer, Michael Morgan said it is a privilege for the emergency services sector to take part each year.

"Pride March is an opportunity for South Australians to celebrate the LGBTIQ community. For emergency services agencies, we participate to celebrate diversity within the community we serve and within our sector.

"We look forward to our red fire trucks, staff, family and friends being part of the broader emergency services presence at what is an important event on Adelaide's calendar," MFS Chief Officer Morgan said.

CFS Chief Officer, Mark Jones said, "The SA CFS is a community-based volunteer organisation that proudly welcomes all members of our community".

"Our members will be walking in the Pride March to represent our support and inclusivity of our firefighters and their families from the LGBTIQ+ community."

SES Chief Officer Chris Beattie said, "The SES is proud to again take part in this year's Pride March and help celebrate diversity in both the agency and the broader community".

"The SES strongly advocates for a safe and inclusive workplace where all of our people, both volunteers and staff, are valued, respected and have the opportunity to grow and prosper".

Pride March Adelaide participants will meet at Light Square (Wauwi) from 5.30 pm on Saturday, 2 November 2019.

The march begins at 6.30 pm and will return this year to its traditional path of Morphett St and Gouger St through to Victoria Square.

The MFS, CFS and SES will join South Australia Police and SA Ambulance Service (SAAS) vehicles and personnel on the night.

Media are welcome to film, photograph and interview MFS, CFS and SES representatives participating in Pride March. Please call the MFS, CFS and SES media lines to arrange.

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