

Inquiry into volunteering in Queensland

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The Boyne Tannum HookUp is an Incorporated Association in Gladstone, Central Queensland. The Boyne Tannum HookUp Association runs the annual event called The Boyne Tannum HookUp. The Boyne Tannum HookUp is Australia's Biggest Family Fishing Competition, with both adult and junior categories. This 3-day event is held in a beautiful location of the Central Queensland Coast at Boyne Island. The Boyne Tannum HookUp is held annually over the Labour Day long weekend with the aim of bringing together friends, family, businesses, supporters and sponsors from all parts of Australia to enjoy a great community event. We are a local community organization based in the Gladstone Region, Central Queensland, dedicated to supporting and strengthening our community. However, we face several challenges, including: Compliance issues Sustainability concerns - Expanding membership - Succession planning - Volunteer retention Volunteer-related challenges - Recruiting new volunteers - Preventing burnout among existing volunteers Governance and operational difficulties - Constitutional conflicts - Financial management - Securing funding Support from NFP House NFP House has been instrumental in helping us overcome these challenges by equipping us with essential skills and resources. Their support is invaluable because they offer: Ongoing, long-term assistance beyond short-term workshops One-on-one guidance tailored to our needs Local, accessible expertise A wide range of solutions specific to our sector Highly skilled professionals with relevant experience Immediate access to expert advice and problem-solving support A collaborative approach to addressing challenges An objective, external perspective A trusted resource for reliable advice and solutions A free service Helpful Programs The following programs have been particularly beneficial to our organisation: Walk-in, phone, and email support for organisational assistance Health Checks Access to advertise to seek volunteers via their Portal on the website Constitution support Workshops for planning services, volunteer management, stakeholder surveys, Grant writing support