



CPSU - SPSF Group

National state public sector union praises Vic public servants in fire tragedy

We are humbled by the dedication of our public sector colleagues in the face of Victoria's tragedy.

Working through extremes, that would be unimaginable in most of our working lives, our friends and colleagues and public workers are working to save, protect and preserve vital services.

They are working to heal and counsel the injured and bereaved.

They are feeding and clothing the people who are displaced.

They are being literal heroes - there is no other word- in the face of horror and trauma on a scale never seen in Australia.

Our movement, the trade union movement, tens of thousands of other public sector workers and the whole community thank you and praise you. You are emblems of the selflessness and community we aspire to be.

"We are with you, in our prayers for your safety, our hope for your recovery.

You are making unbelievable sacrifices and our certain knowledge is by your deeds our faith in human decency is again proved.

You are our colleagues and friends. We hope our thoughts for you are some comfort. "

**David Carey
Federal Secretary
On behalf of State Public Services Federation
120 000 public sector workers - Australia wide**



Queensland Public Sector Union

I am deeply saddened by the tragic events that have occurred in your state this weekend, the tragic loss of life is unbelievable, our nation is in shock at the moment and will be for some time, the damage that has occurred as we know can and will be rebuilt.

Remember how Cyclone Tracey damaged Darwin and from that disaster we all witnessed how Darwin was rebuilt to become the town it is today and how all Aussie's assisted on that occasion. There is something unique about being an Aussie and the way every Aussie is supporting this tragedy is unbelievable.

Gordon is away this weekend having some much needed R & R with his wife, so with that on behalf of the Q'ld QPSU State Executive Gordon, Simone, Jason, Eion, Perry and myself we commit our thoughts and prayers and hope that this nightmare will soon abate for the state of Victoria.

Please advise what you need and we will endeavour to provide that as soon as.

In the interim, please pass on to your fellow colleagues that our thoughts and prayers are with them at this time.

**Kind Regards
Judy Oppermann
State Secretary
Queensland Public Sector Union**

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Hi Karen

No doubt you are getting lots of messages as a result of the fires but just to say I hope that all of you and your families are ok and that your members are ok.

I daresay you would have had many of them involved.

We can only send them our thoughts, along with the rest of the nation that we are totally with them.

If you think there is anything we can do as a movement from here, please let us know...

Cheers

Dave Robinson | Secretary | UnionsWA

