

DR PAUL RANKIN COMMUNITY HEALTH PRIZE

Purpose of the Prize

The Dr Paul Rankin Community Health Prize is awarded in recognition of outstanding commitment to enhancing community wellbeing. This award honours Dr Paul Rankin – a pioneer in the establishment and advancement of Lifestyle Medicine at Avondale University – who shaped both its teaching and research. As a pastor, nurse, educator, and one of Avondale’s first PhD students, Dr Rankin was deeply passionate about empowering individuals and communities to thrive. His influence has had global reach.

Selection Criteria

The prize is open to any Avondale University student, regardless of year level or course of study, who exemplifies Dr Rankin’s commitment to enhancing community wellbeing and has demonstrated outstanding dedication, initiative, and impact in promoting healthier, flourishing communities.

Note: The award need not be issued in a particular year in the absence of a suitable candidate.

Administration of Prize

1. Each year, the Prizes Coordinator will confer with Avondale’s business office to ascertain the balance of the reserve and share the ledger with the sponsor.
2. Any changes to the selection criteria will be forwarded by the Prizes Coordinator to the Scholarships and Prizes Committee, and once approved, will be uploaded to the Avondale website.
3. Nominations for the prize shall be made by Avondale staff to the Chair of the Lifestyle Medicine and Health Research Centre (LMHRC) Board.
4. The successful recipient will be selected through collaboration between the Chair of the LMHRC Board and the Director of the LMHRC, with final approval from the LMHRC Board.

Sponsorship

The prize of \$1000 awarded annually is sponsored by The Lift Project and the Rankin family.

Presentation of Prize

The prize will be presented during the year-end graduation ceremony. Prize recipients who are not graduating in the current year will receive their prize at the *Welcome to Avondale* ceremony at the commencement of the next academic year.

Citation

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This prize has been generously sponsored by The Lift Project and the Rankin family
and is awarded to

[name of recipient]