

~ ~ Auxiliary Community Outreach ~ ~

"Soaring to New Heights"

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Your reports continue to arrive and the numbers are impressive. However, some Auxiliaries have not let us know everything that they have been doing to Make a Difference for their Communities... so - I know that there will be so much more to report. Keep up the good work! You are terrific!!!

Thanks to Diane Pencak, National Auxiliary Community Outreach Ambassador for the following:

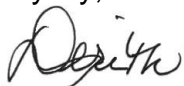
'Tis the season to partner with other local organizations or entities (Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Kiwanis, American Legion, Elks Club, Moose Club, Lions Club to name a few) for an Auxiliary **Community Outreach** project!

Here are some ideas for the upcoming holiday season:

1. **Volunteer at a local soup kitchen** – Get a group together and serve a meal, bus tables or clean up at a local soup kitchen.
2. **Volunteer at the local meal/toy distribution** – Help the less fortunate in your community this holiday season. There are many volunteer opportunities at community distribution events including traffic control, customer/client check-in, shopping assistant, check-out and more.
3. **Volunteer at the local animal shelter** – This is a fun way to volunteer as a family, especially if you have animal lovers in the house. Call the local animal shelter and offer to play with the animals, go on a walk, clean out cages or take pictures to post online to help the animals get adopted.
4. **Spruce Up the Environment** – Show your Mother Earth some love on Turkey Day! Bundle up and head outside to a park, stream or natural area that could use some cleaning up. Spend the day with friends and family under the sun making the environment smile.

Wishing you the gifts of the season...thanksgiving, peace, joy and hope.

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A word (or several) about Program Awards:

J*A*S*O*N

For many years, the Department of Washington Community Service Chairmen have presented Certificates of Appreciation to those Auxiliaries and Posts that have submitted Reports of their activities each month from July through November.

The name of the program may have changed, but the J*A*S*O*N Award will still be presented to each Auxiliary meeting the challenge.

It is not only important to reach into our communities with what we do, but it is also extremely important that we keep a record of our service in order to verify that we are accomplishing the goals of our non-profit status.

If you haven't been sending reports, there is still time to catch up and get the word to us about the many ways that your Auxiliary members have found to serve others.

Auxiliary Community Outreach Award for Auxiliaries No. 1

This Award is offered by National VFW Auxiliary. Your Auxiliary is asked to describe how the Auxiliary had an outstanding Auxiliary Community Outreach Program. Fill out the form that can be found on both the Department & National websites. There will be :

- Citation to every Auxiliary that participates in a community event.
- Citation and \$25 to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences with the most outstanding Auxiliary Community Outreach Program.

A Note of Thanks: Districts 11, 15 & 16 are 100% reported. GOOD JOB!!

And – thanks to those chairmen who have asked questions. We are always learning from each other..

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