

AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA
3RD VICE PRESIDENT/COMMUNITY SERVICE

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Community Service is any activity or project that benefits adults OR BOTH children and adults in your community. It is important that we, as Auxiliary members, engage in our communities and by doing so, we contribute to the welfare of all. Through your efforts, your Auxiliary becomes well known and acknowledged through your work.

Please refer to your National Manual for a wealth of information, ideas, and projects. Section 8 of the Manual details Reporting and Guidelines. Visit Auxiliary websites for National @ amvetsaux.org and Department @ www.amvetsauxfl.org.

Be sure to read information detailed in the Hotline, SEC, and Convention Book for project ideas from your Department Officers and sister Auxiliaries. In addition, join other Facebook Auxiliary pages.

Reach out to your Department Officers! We are here to assist you and gladly welcome your input and questions.

Consistently and timely complete and file your Service Reports ~ you have worked hard so ensure you receive the recognition you deserve!

SUGGESTED COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Paws With a Cause is an organization that trains service dogs for physically challenged individuals, autistic children, seizure response and hearing-impaired individuals. March is PAWS month. www.pawswithacause.org

Ronald McDonald House is an organization that provides shelter for families of hospitalized children, as well as meals and educational programs. This organization also provides services such as peer support, sibling resources and activities. www.rmhc.org

Special Olympics can use volunteers to help with local and state events.
www.specialolympics.org

Blood Drives – donate your blood, volunteer to work at a local blood drive or hold a blood drive.

Used Eyeglasses – donate these to your local Lions Club, Welcome Home for the Blind or any eyeglass store that has a donation box.

Senior Citizens – volunteer at a Senior Center to help seniors in your neighborhood. Activities could include helping them with their daily activities, food, clothing, writing letters, yard/housework, home maintenance and/or transportation to their doctor appointments, shopping, etc.

Visit and/or Attend Local Government Agencies and Meetings – let them know who we are and what we do and that we are an organization supporting good government.

Assist Under Privileged Families – their needs are many and can include food, clothing, medical, home furnishings, transportation, fuel, etc.

Donate! Volunteer! – local homeless shelters, American Cancer Society, Humane Society/animal shelters, shelters for women/children of domestic violence, Hospice, American Heart Association are just a few.

DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

All Department of Florida Awards are detailed in our 'Convention Forecast'.

Community Service Chairman Award – awarded to the Chairman demonstrating ability in forming committees to successfully complete projects and in forwarding legible and correct service reports promptly to Department of Florida.

PDP Bertha M. Hall Alexander Memorial Community Service Award – awarded to the individual member doing the most outstanding work in Community Service in the name of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

PDP Meltonia Presley Memorial Service Award – awarded to the Auxiliary with the highest donation made to the Advent Health Transplant Patient Assistance Program.

PNP Charlene D. Kee Ronald McDonald House Award – awarded to the Auxiliary with the highest total evaluation for Ronald McDonald House in the name of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary, in terms of hours, money, etc.