

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
END OF YEAR REPORT 2023-2024**

This program suffered a change in chairpersons during the year creating a lapse in communication. Fortunately, most of the Units have members familiar with the program to carry on. Almost all units have poppy makers with Poppy making as part of the Department training. Few certificates were awarded to entities that collaborated to raise awareness and donations.

This Department has 87 active Units with the following results:

- one Unit submitting Poppy Posters – 1%
- seven Units submitting narratives – 8%
- thirty-three submitting reports; 10 by mail and 23 by e-mail – 37.9%
- two Units stated they were participating in Miss Poppy – 2%

Per the reports and narratives poppies were utilized for:

- Memorial services
- Stand-downs
- Veteran resource fairs
- Veteran's day
- Memorial day
- Four Chaplains service
- Farmer's market
- VA homes
- VA hospitals
- Fisher House
- Veteran roof repairs
- Veteran utilities
- School resource fairs
- New member initiations
- Presentation to public officials
- Presentation to Post and Unit officials

Innovative ideas reported:

- Raffling drink chips
- Honoring veterans on memorial day and veterans' day with poppies and names on a wall
- Poppy fields and displays
- Events in collaboration with community entities to receive donations

Thank you to all who took the time to fill out reports, even those that had minimal information to share. I hope next year will bring more activities and participation.

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