

President's Message

August 2024

Department Convention 2024 in Oro Valley, AZ was awesome! I want to say thank you to all that attended and worked so hard to make this Convention such a success. I also want to say how honored I feel to have been voted in as your Department President for 2024-2025. I will work hard and do my best to make you all proud.

My special project this year is P.A.W.S.S. – Pups and Warriors Side by Side. The theme is Hands to Help, Paws to Save. This exceptional program is a Veteran/First Responder (and family) service dog training program. They established in 2021 and are run by Ryan and Janna Newman. They mostly conduct their training sessions at Post 2 in Tempe, AZ. I've attended a training session and a graduation ceremony so far this year and have to say I am so excited by what they are doing to help Veterans and first responders. I look forward to attending more training sessions and events with this wonderful organization.

I'm excited to attend the National Convention in August in New Orleans, LA. I will bring back news and updates and have them updated in this bulletin next month.

The Department Officer and Chairman meeting was held on August 3, 2024, and was well attended. There are some exciting events coming up for this upcoming Fall Conference which will be held again in Oro Valley, AZ November 1st through 3rd. I hope to see as many of you there as can be!

If ever you need to reach out to me my contact information is on the Department website at www.aladepaz.org. My phone number is 702-403-4903 and my email is mayberry.stacey@gmail.com. If you'd like to extend an invitation to me for an event or meeting, reach out to me directly; please don't contact the Department office.

Have a great rest of August and I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Stacey Mayberry

Paying of Annual Mandates

It is mandated that each Unit in the Department of Arizona, American Legion Auxiliary pay certain expenses that are to be paid to the Department Headquarters annually. The mandated items are as follows:

1. Rehab per capita or RPC \$0.20 cents per member
2. Delegates per capita or DPC \$0.40 cents per member
3. Jr. Delegates per capita or JDPC \$0.20 cents per Jr.
4. Jr. Activity per capita or JAPC \$0.20 per member
(whether unit has Jr.'s or not)
5. Annual bonding fee \$5.50 per unit

The amounts vary for each Unit. The fees are based on what your Unit ended the year with at the Department close of books in membership. (The close of books is July 31 of each year.) The Department Headquarters office figures these fees and will post the Mandate list on the Department website, aladep taz.org and send a printout in either the August or September Bulletin for those that subscribe to receive the bulletin by mail.

UNITS MUST CONTACT YOUR INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT TREASURER FOR THE AMOUNT OF YOUR MANDATED FEES TO THE DISTRICT. THESE ARE PAID TO THE DISTRICT AND NOT THE DEPARTMENT.

UNITS MUST PAY THE MANDATES AS LISTED AND HAVE THEM TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, 4701 N. 19TH AVE SUITE 100, PHOENIX, AZ 85015, 30 DAYS BEFORE THE ANNUAL DEPARTMENT CONVENTION IN ORDER TO VOTE.

FAILURE TO PAY THE MANDATED FEES ANNUALLY WILL RESULT IN THE UNIT CHARTER BEING REVOKED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND ALL AUXILIARY FINANCIAL BOOKS, MONEY AND PROPERTY WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS AT THAT TIME.

Please do not let this happen to your Unit. If you do not know what your mandate fees are, please call the Department Headquarters 602-241-1080 M-F 7:00 to 4:00 or email secretary1@aladep taz.org

2024-2025 MANDATES

Rehabilitation Per Capita (RPC), Delegate Per Capita (DPC), and Junior Activities Per Capita (JAPC) are based on "Close of Books" figures.

| Unit No. | # JR's | # SR's | RPC | DPC | JDPC | JAPC | BOND | TOTAL |
|----------|--------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|------------|
| 1 | 0 | 125 | \$25.00 | \$50.00 | \$0.00 | \$25.00 | \$5.50 | \$105.50 |
| 2 | 3 | 103 | \$20.60 | \$41.20 | \$0.60 | \$21.20 | \$5.50 | \$89.10 |
| 3 | 5 | 60 | \$12.00 | \$24.00 | \$1.00 | \$13.00 | \$5.50 | \$55.50 |
| 4 | 2 | 33 | \$6.60 | \$13.20 | \$0.40 | \$7.00 | \$5.50 | \$32.70 |
| 5 | 2 | 58 | \$11.60 | \$23.20 | \$0.40 | \$12.00 | \$5.50 | \$52.70 |
| 6 | 1 | 259 | \$51.80 | \$103.60 | \$0.20 | \$52.00 | \$5.50 | \$213.10 |
| 7 | 1 | 34 | \$6.80 | \$13.60 | \$0.20 | \$7.00 | \$5.50 | \$33.10 |
| 8 | 3 | 27 | \$5.40 | \$10.80 | \$0.60 | \$6.00 | \$5.50 | \$28.30 |
| 9 | 2 | 118 | \$23.60 | \$47.20 | \$0.40 | \$24.00 | \$5.50 | \$100.70 |
| 11 | 6 | 131 | \$26.20 | \$52.40 | \$1.20 | \$27.40 | \$5.50 | \$112.70 |
| 12 | 4 | 215 | \$43.00 | \$86.00 | \$0.80 | \$43.80 | \$5.50 | \$179.10 |
| 13 | 1 | 46 | \$9.20 | \$18.40 | \$0.20 | \$9.40 | \$5.50 | \$42.70 |
| 14 | 11 | 131 | \$26.20 | \$52.40 | \$2.20 | \$28.40 | \$5.50 | \$114.70 |
| 16 | 0 | 58 | \$11.60 | \$23.20 | \$0.00 | \$11.60 | \$5.50 | \$51.90 |
| 19 | 8 | 194 | \$38.80 | \$77.60 | \$1.60 | \$40.40 | \$5.50 | \$163.90 |
| 22 | 3 | 143 | \$28.60 | \$57.20 | \$0.60 | \$29.20 | \$5.50 | \$121.10 |
| 24 | 3 | 402 | \$80.40 | \$160.80 | \$0.60 | \$81.00 | \$5.50 | \$328.30 |
| 25 | 7 | 293 | \$58.60 | \$117.20 | \$1.40 | \$60.00 | \$5.50 | \$242.70 |
| 26 | 2 | 228 | \$45.60 | \$91.20 | \$0.40 | \$46.00 | \$5.50 | \$188.70 |
| 27 | 5 | 1896 | \$379.20 | \$758.40 | \$1.00 | \$380.20 | \$5.50 | \$1,524.30 |
| 28 | 2 | 76 | \$15.20 | \$30.40 | \$0.40 | \$15.60 | \$5.50 | \$67.10 |
| 29 | 7 | 234 | \$46.80 | \$93.60 | \$1.40 | \$48.20 | \$5.50 | \$195.50 |
| 30 | 0 | 85 | \$17.00 | \$34.00 | \$0.00 | \$17.00 | \$5.50 | \$73.50 |
| 32 | 0 | 151 | \$30.20 | \$60.40 | \$0.00 | \$30.20 | \$5.50 | \$126.30 |
| 34 | 1 | 319 | \$63.80 | \$127.60 | \$0.20 | \$64.00 | \$5.50 | \$261.10 |
| 35 | 9 | 297 | \$59.40 | \$118.80 | \$1.80 | \$61.20 | \$5.50 | \$246.70 |
| 36 | 3 | 260 | \$52.00 | \$104.00 | \$0.60 | \$52.60 | \$5.50 | \$214.70 |
| 37 | 0 | 39 | \$7.80 | \$15.60 | \$0.00 | \$7.80 | \$5.50 | \$36.70 |
| 39 | 13 | 502 | \$100.40 | \$200.80 | \$2.60 | \$103.00 | \$5.50 | \$412.30 |
| 40 | 0 | 97 | \$19.40 | \$38.80 | \$0.00 | \$19.40 | \$5.50 | \$83.10 |
| 41 | 14 | 334 | \$66.80 | \$133.60 | \$2.80 | \$69.60 | \$5.50 | \$278.30 |
| 42 | 6 | 30 | \$6.00 | \$12.00 | \$1.20 | \$7.20 | \$5.50 | \$31.90 |
| 44 | 0 | 338 | \$67.60 | \$135.20 | \$0.00 | \$67.60 | \$5.50 | \$275.90 |
| 45 | 4 | 43 | \$8.60 | \$17.20 | \$0.80 | \$9.40 | \$5.50 | \$41.50 |
| 46 | 2 | 49 | \$9.80 | \$19.60 | \$0.40 | \$10.20 | \$5.50 | \$45.50 |

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|-----------------|---------------|---------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 51 | 8 | 58 | \$11.60 | \$23.20 | \$1.60 | \$13.20 | \$5.50 | \$55.10 |
| 52 | 3 | 198 | \$39.60 | \$79.20 | \$0.60 | \$40.20 | \$5.50 | \$165.10 |
| 53 | 0 | 25 | \$5.00 | \$10.00 | \$0.00 | \$5.00 | \$5.50 | \$25.50 |
| 54 | 3 | 87 | \$17.40 | \$34.80 | \$0.60 | \$18.00 | \$5.50 | \$76.30 |
| 56 | 0 | 73 | \$14.60 | \$29.20 | \$0.00 | \$14.60 | \$5.50 | \$63.90 |
| 57 | 3 | 73 | \$14.60 | \$29.20 | \$0.60 | \$15.20 | \$5.50 | \$65.10 |
| 58 | 10 | 388 | \$77.60 | \$155.20 | \$2.00 | \$79.60 | \$5.50 | \$319.90 |
| 59 | 3 | 129 | \$25.80 | \$51.60 | \$0.60 | \$26.40 | \$5.50 | \$109.90 |
| 61 | 2 | 206 | \$41.20 | \$82.40 | \$0.40 | \$41.60 | \$5.50 | \$171.10 |
| 62 | 37 | 966 | \$193.20 | \$386.40 | \$7.40 | \$200.60 | \$5.50 | \$793.10 |
| 64 | 0 | 22 | \$4.40 | \$8.80 | \$0.00 | \$4.40 | \$5.50 | \$23.10 |
| 65 | 50 | 296 | \$59.20 | \$118.40 | \$10.00 | \$69.20 | \$5.50 | \$262.30 |
| 66 | 1 | 886 | \$177.20 | \$354.40 | \$0.20 | \$177.40 | \$5.50 | \$714.70 |
| 68 | 0 | 56 | \$11.20 | \$22.40 | \$0.00 | \$11.20 | \$5.50 | \$50.30 |
| 69 | 0 | 128 | \$25.60 | \$51.20 | \$0.00 | \$25.60 | \$5.50 | \$107.90 |
| 73 | 1 | 27 | \$5.40 | \$10.80 | \$0.20 | \$5.60 | \$5.50 | \$27.50 |
| 78 | 5 | 153 | \$30.60 | \$61.20 | \$1.00 | \$31.60 | \$5.50 | \$129.90 |
| 79 | 0 | 181 | \$36.20 | \$72.40 | \$0.00 | \$36.20 | \$5.50 | \$150.30 |
| 81 | 8 | 666 | \$133.20 | \$266.40 | \$1.60 | \$134.80 | \$5.50 | \$541.50 |
| 84 | 6 | 41 | \$8.20 | \$16.40 | \$1.20 | \$9.40 | \$5.50 | \$40.70 |
| 86 | 5 | 415 | \$83.00 | \$166.00 | \$1.00 | \$84.00 | \$5.50 | \$339.50 |
| 87 | 2 | 133 | \$26.60 | \$53.20 | \$0.40 | \$27.00 | \$5.50 | \$112.70 |
| 88 | 0 | 5 | \$1.00 | \$2.00 | \$0.00 | \$1.00 | \$5.50 | \$9.50 |
| 90 | 1 | 74 | \$14.80 | \$29.60 | \$0.20 | \$15.00 | \$5.50 | \$65.10 |
| 91 | 21 | 250 | \$50.00 | \$100.00 | \$4.20 | \$54.20 | \$5.50 | \$213.90 |
| 93 | 0 | 107 | \$21.40 | \$42.80 | \$0.00 | \$21.40 | \$5.50 | \$91.10 |
| 95 | 7 | 72 | \$14.40 | \$28.80 | \$1.40 | \$15.80 | \$5.50 | \$65.90 |
| 97 | 3 | 34 | \$6.80 | \$13.60 | \$0.60 | \$7.40 | \$5.50 | \$33.90 |
| 103 | 0 | 38 | \$7.60 | \$15.20 | \$0.00 | \$7.60 | \$5.50 | \$35.90 |
| 105 | 6 | 204 | \$40.80 | \$81.60 | \$1.20 | \$42.00 | \$5.50 | \$171.10 |
| 107 | 2 | 201 | \$40.20 | \$80.40 | \$0.40 | \$40.60 | \$5.50 | \$167.10 |
| 108 | 3 | 32 | \$6.40 | \$12.80 | \$0.60 | \$7.00 | \$5.50 | \$32.30 |
| 109 | 8 | 371 | \$74.20 | \$148.40 | \$1.60 | \$75.80 | \$5.50 | \$305.50 |
| 114 | 0 | 5 | \$1.00 | \$2.00 | \$0.00 | \$1.00 | \$5.50 | \$9.50 |
| 115 | 5 | 26 | \$5.20 | \$10.40 | \$1.00 | \$6.20 | \$5.50 | \$28.30 |
| 117 | 5 | 251 | \$50.20 | \$100.40 | \$1.00 | \$51.20 | \$5.50 | \$208.30 |
| 123 | 1 | 37 | \$7.40 | \$14.80 | \$0.20 | \$7.60 | \$5.50 | \$35.50 |
| 124 | 2 | 24 | \$4.80 | \$9.60 | \$0.40 | \$5.20 | \$5.50 | \$25.50 |
| 125 | 1 | 14 | \$2.80 | \$5.60 | \$0.20 | \$3.00 | \$5.50 | \$17.10 |
| 129 | 1 | 15 | \$3.00 | \$6.00 | \$0.20 | \$3.20 | \$5.50 | \$17.90 |
| 131 | 1 | 573 | \$114.60 | \$229.20 | \$0.20 | \$114.80 | \$5.50 | \$464.30 |
| 132 | 2 | 80 | \$16.00 | \$32.00 | \$0.40 | \$16.40 | \$5.50 | \$70.30 |

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|-----------------|---------------|---------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 133 | 1 | 29 | \$5.80 | \$11.60 | \$0.20 | \$6.00 | \$5.50 | \$29.10 |
| 134 | 3 | 16 | \$3.20 | \$6.40 | \$0.60 | \$3.80 | \$5.50 | \$19.50 |
| 135 | 5 | 37 | \$7.40 | \$14.80 | \$1.00 | \$8.40 | \$5.50 | \$37.10 |
| 136 | 0 | 11 | \$2.20 | \$4.40 | \$0.00 | \$2.20 | \$5.50 | \$14.30 |
| 138 | 0 | 49 | \$9.80 | \$19.60 | \$0.00 | \$9.80 | \$5.50 | \$44.70 |
| 140 | 4 | 15 | \$3.00 | \$6.00 | \$0.80 | \$3.80 | \$5.50 | \$19.10 |
| 141 | 0 | 21 | \$4.20 | \$8.40 | \$0.00 | \$4.20 | \$5.50 | \$22.30 |
| 145 | 1 | 9 | \$1.80 | \$3.60 | \$0.20 | \$2.00 | \$5.50 | \$13.10 |

Please make check payable to American Legion Auxiliary and send to:

**American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Arizona
4701 N. 19th Ave Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ 85015-3727**

**THESE ARE DEPARTMENT MANDATES AND ARE
MAILED TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.**

**DISTRICT MANDATES ARE BILLED SEPARATELY AND
SHOULD BE PAID TO THE DISTRICT TREASURER.**

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA HEADQUARTERS**

SPECIAL MEMORANDUM

SERIES: 2024-2025

SUBJECT: DUES, MANDATES, FEES, DONATIONS, ETC.

The following are program funds that need to go through the Department Books. **Checks are to be made payable and sent to American Legion Auxiliary, 4701 N. 19th Ave. Suite 100, Phoenix AZ 85015-3727.** Please write separate checks for MEMBERSHIP, and Mandates. All others may be included in one check with an explanation as to where the funds are being donated to.

REMINDER: ALL MANDATES ARE DUE 30 DAYS PRIOR TO CONVENTION OR YOUR UNIT WILL FOREFIT IT'S RIGHT TO VOTE. DO NOT SEND DISTRICT MANDATES TO DEPARTMENT, SEND THEM TO YOUR DISTRICT.....

DUES: Current and previous years dues are **\$25.00 per Senior** and **\$4.00 per Junior**. This includes Department and National dues. It also includes a subscription to the *National News* magazine for senior member.

MANDATES: 2024 Department Close of Books membership totals are used to determine the base for assessments – District AND Department. **Rehabilitation Per Capita (RPC)** is twenty cents per SENIOR member. (RPC is sent on to National for their use in veterans programs.) **Delegate Per Capita (DPC)** is forty cents per member, JUNIOR AND SENIOR. (DPC is used by the Department to send delegates to National Convention.) **Junior Activities Per Capita (JAPC)** is twenty cents per member, JUNIOR AND SENIOR, and is paid whether or not your Unit has any Juniors and is used to send Junior Delegate and chaperone to National Convention. (JDPC) is used by the Department to support the Junior Activities Fund.) Fiduciary **BOND** covers all Units and is forwarded to National every three years. **Bond fee per Unit is \$5.50.**

POPPIES: Units are urged to order poppies. **Poppies are \$150.00 per thousand and can be ordered in increments of 100 (\$15.00 per hundred).** Poppies must be ordered by **September 30, 2024.** Please use the form on the Department website to order poppies. Units must order at least 100 poppies to compete for Department Awards except membership. **After Poppy Distribution is completed, 10% of NET Poppy proceeds are to be sent to Department.** Poppy Funds are restricted funds, see the *ALA Poppy Guide* for explanation.

WELFARE PLEDGE: This money stays in Department for use in the Welfare Budget for Veterans programs and direct aid.

CHRISTMAS PLEDGE: This money stays in Department for use in the Welfare Budget for each VA Medical Center (VAMC) in Arizona to place dollar bills in Christmas Cards for the hospitalized veterans. It's just a small gift, but is very much appreciated.

HOSPITAL PARTIES &

SOCIAL SERVICES: This money is sent to the VAMC's as designated by Units for monthly Bingo Parties,

comfort items, recreation & medical equipment, carnivals, etc.

GIFT SHOP:

Money is used for purchasing gifts that enable hospitalized veterans to pick out gifts (free of charge) for themselves and their families to celebrate the Christmas Holiday.

PAST PRESIDENT'S

PARLEY:

This money funds scholarships in nursing and health care occupations for students attending Arizona schools.

AUXILIARY EMERGENCY

FUND:

This money is sent to National for assistance to Auxiliary members during a personal crisis or natural disaster. Certain Pre-req. are required.

JUNIORS:

This money stays in Department and helps pay the way for our Junior representative and her chaperon to attend the National Junior Meeting. As well as, off-setting Department Junior Meeting Expenses.

GIRLS STATE:

Fees are \$300.00 for the Unit and a \$100.00 registration fee from the girl. Units are to deposit all monies received for your Girls State program and write one check to cover fee and registration for the girls. Fees must be sent to the Department Girls State Director with delegate and alternate cards, NOT to Department Headquarters. **Donations** to the Girls State fund may be sent to Department Headquarters.

NAT'L. LEADERSHIP

DEVELOPMENT FUND:

Courtesy This money stays in Department to help with expenses when Arizona has a candidate for National Office.

DEPARTMENT OFFICE OVERHEAD EXPENSES FUND: This money stays in Department to help keep the

Department Headquarters Office open with proper furniture and equipment, and all expenses incurred.

CAVALCADE OF

MEMORIES:

Funds are used to furnish the cavalcade room at Headquarters and for supplies and materials needed, such as scrapbooks, binders, framing, etc.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S

SPECIAL PROJECT:

This money is used for the special project of the Department President. This year, the project is "PAWSS". Look for more information from the Department Chairman.

American Legion Auxiliary Program Donations

Updated April 2, 2024

Donations for the American Legion Auxiliary programs are to be sent to Department for distribution.

Donations to the State Homes and VAMC'S are to come to Department for distribution of funds.

All other donations are to be sent directly to the program (i.e., Tucson Fisher House, 4 Chaplains, ALLECA)

Below is information on where to send information for the popular organizations Units donate to.

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| <p>Tucson Fisher House Donations are made to the C.H.A.M.P. Foundation. Website: https://champfoundation.org/</p> | <p>The Chapel of Four Chaplains Send donations to: The Chapel of Four Chaplains 1201 Constitution Ave Philadelphia, PA 19112-9901</p> |
| <p>Friends of Fisher House Phoenix A 501c(3) organization for the Phoenix Fisher House. Friends of Fisher House Phoenix PO Box 720 Phoenix AZ 85022</p> | <p>Child Welfare Foundation Send donations to: The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, Inc PO Box 1055 Indianapolis, IN 46206</p> |
| <p>ALLECA Send donations to: ALLECA PO Box 750 Cortaro AZ 85652-0750</p> | <p>Spirit of Youth Send donations to: ALA Foundation 3450 Founders Rd Indianapolis, IN 46268</p> |
| <p>USO – Sky Harbor Airport Send donations to: USO Administrative Office 3800 E Sky Harbor Blvd USO Center Phoenix AZ 85034</p> <p>Specify where you would like the money to go. i.e., Sky Harbor, one of the military bases in AZ. More information can be found on their website.</p> <p>Website: Arizona.uso.org</p> | <p>National Cemetery of Arizona Send donations to: 23029 N Cave Creek Rd Phoenix AZ 85024</p> <p>History Flight* Send donations to: 317 William Street Suite 1 Fredericksburg, VA 22401</p> |

If you are unsure as to where to send donations to, please contact the Department Office at 602-241-1080.

***Flight History Information**

History Flight is a 501(c)3 so all donations are tax deductible.

History Flight needs your help. Though our fundraising efforts contribute greatly to support our efforts to find our Missing in Action service members from World War II, Korea, Cold War, and Vietnam the cost of research expeditions increases significantly each year. Your financial support to keep our research efforts on track is urgently needed. Please select one of the options below to help us by sending in a donation to support History Flight's mission. We offer an option to donate online, by phone, and by mail.

www.historyflight.com

JULY 2024

Department Bulletin Information

If you are receiving the monthly bulletin by mail, this is the last month you will receive the bulletin.

Department prefers to send the bulletin via email. There is no cost to send the bulletin via email.

If you would like to receive the bulletin via email, please send your email to Department. Department email address is: secretary1@aladepaz.org

If you would like to continue to receive the bulletin by mail, please complete the Department Bulletin Subscription Form in this packet. Send the completed form and payment to Department.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

DEPARTMENT BULLETIN SUBSCRIPTION FORM

Date: _____

To: American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Arizona
4701 N. 19th Ave., Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ 85015-3727

Please send Department Bulletins to name and address below. **The \$15.00 subscription fee is enclosed.** I understand that if I subscribe after October first the subscription is **NOT** retroactive to beginning of Auxiliary year, but if subscription is received in Department prior to September 30th, previous month's bulletins will be sent.

Member ID# _____

Name & Address

Phone # () - _____

NOTE: There is no Bulletin in July. Bulletins are automatically sent to all Department Officers; Past Department Presidents; Department Chairmen; District Presidents; District Secretaries, Unit Presidents and Unit Secretaries.

FOR OFFICE USE

Date Received _____

Check number _____

Amount _____

Computer flag completed _____

Initials _____

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
SCHEDULE OF ALAMIS SERVICES

Prices effective January 1, 2023

DUES RATE CHANGES

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| Dues are after May 1 st | \$30.00 per unit |
| MEMBERSHIP CARD REPRINT BY NHQ | \$1.00 per card |
| BLANK MEMBERSHIP CARD SHEETS | \$1.00 PER SHEET |
| UNIT ALAMIS ONLINE ACCOUNT & 2023 SOFTWARE SUPPORT/UPDATE** | (2 login limit) (non-refundable fee) |
| • <i>Unit View</i> | \$10.00 per login |
| • <i>Unit Write</i> | \$15.00 per login |
| • <i>Unit Full</i> | \$20.00 per login |

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| DISTRICTS/DIVISIONS ALAMIS ACCOUNT & 2023 SOFTWARE SUPPORT/UPDATE** | \$10.00 per login (non-refundable fee) (2 login limit) |
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***Department, Unit, District/Division ALAMIS charges are billed to departments in early January*

Any service not explicitly provided for in this schedule can be quoted as needed. Delivery time for goods will vary depending on time of year and staffing availability. Email, call or write to the address below for details. Direct your inquiries and requests for the above services to:

ALAMIS Help
4701 N. 19th Ave., Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ 85015
602-241-1080

***NOTE: ALL REQUESTS FOR SERVICES MUST BE AUTHORIZED BY THE
DEPARTMENT SECRETARY***

REORDER FORM FOR MEMBERSHIP SUPPLIES

PLEASE COPY THIS FORM AS NEEDED AND FILL OUT COMPLETELY
MAIL TO: AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

4701 N. 19th Ave., Suite 100

Phoenix, Arizona 85015

ATTENTION: SUPPLIES

ALLOW 3-5 BUSINESS DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE ORDER INTO DEPARTMENT
OFFICE

Send to Name & Unit Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Select and Indicate Amount Needed

ALA Girls State _____

Youth Programs _____

Junior Activities _____

Junior Activities Handbook _____

Emergency Fund _____

VA&R Rehab Guide _____

Auxiliary At A Glance (membership application) _____

The American Legion Family (all entities application) _____

Unit Guide Book (\$10.00 ea. plus shipping) _____

Membership Blank Cards 8 cards/sheet (\$1.00 per sheet) _____

Note: The above supplies are free except for the membership cards and Guide Books. If you are asking for a bulk supply of these items, please order them from Emblem Sales. Any other items such as certificates, National Constitution and Bylaws and many other resources can be downloaded from legion-aux.org.

There will be no phone orders accepted.

Chaplain Report August 2024
August is National Convention Month



We are starting a new year supporting our Veterans!
The following is a prayer for comfort of our friends in time of loss:

Please pray in your own way.

Prayer for Comfort in Loss

Lord and Creator, You are the God of strength, hope, and comfort. This is a sure promise and I pray that our grieving friends would find solace in this truth. Please help them to be strong and courageous during this time of sorrow, knowing that You are with them. We pray for our friends to look to You for help. Lend them Your strength as they lean on You for support and comfort during this very difficult time. We pray for rest and refreshment for their tired and weary soul, as only You can give them the rest they need. We humbly ask that You renew our friend's strength as they place their hope in you. Blessed be God forever.

Amen.

Please keep the following in your hearts and prayers in this time of need: Past Department President Barbara White in loss of father, Anita Ritter Unit 41 in loss of sister, and Anita DeMello Unit 40 in loss of husband.

If you know of someone who could benefit from a card or phone call, please let me know:
Stephanie McMullen Department Chaplain, stephaniemcmullenala62az@gmail.com,
(623) 910-4716

Children & Youth August 2024

Welcome to the Children & Youth program! This year let 's explore ways that we can become the community "go to" for activities and growth opportunities that make an impact for all our children, but especially our military kids. Create a day and time to meet with teachers and unit members to see what is possible by working together. What is the one thing that you do that touches the children of your community and makes a difference?

What can you do?

Encourage school supply drives – I recommend that donations be delivered in August and in January. Inquire at the local schools as to their specific needs.

Build relationships with your local schools – focus on "Give 10 to Education", American Education Week, and Teacher Appreciation Week, maybe bring extra goodies for the support staff, as well as the teachers.

Plan and implement activities that work with the community and the schools – example: promote September Music Month with the music teacher and lead patriotic songs with the children. September 17th is Constitution Day, hand out pocket constitutions.

Discover who the active military kids are and introduce them to "Purple Up" on April 15th to support military kids. I recommend purchasing Purple Up shirts for those kids.

Schedule around Veteran Day to have veterans in the classrooms to showcase the sacrifices of our military heroes. I recommend pre-planned questions from the kids to ask the veterans.

Together I hope that we can assist our National Chairman in reaching these objectives. Fall Conference and future bulletins will include more recommendations and information on activities and awards for the Children and Youth Program.

In the Sprit of Service, not Self,

Daphne Coleman
Children & Youth Chairman
Daphneinaz@yahoo.com
480-560-2940



Education August 2024



Welcome to the exciting world of education! Education is a lifelong process that starts at birth and continues to the last breath of life. This year, you have the opportunity to make an impact on the lives of students and educators. Brainstorm, be creative, and encourage your members to do the same. How many lives can we touch? We are limited only by the number of people living in our communities, state, and nation.

The Education Program promotes the American Legion Auxiliary's role in providing quality education for children and adults through classroom activities, literacy programs, scholarship opportunities, and support of education beyond high school, especially for military children.

What can you do?

- Enhance respect for the sacrifices of our military heroes among school children by scheduling Veterans in the Classroom programs at local schools.
- Promote American Legion Auxiliary scholarships and award local scholarships at the Department and Unit levels.
- Build a relationship with your local schools - focus attention on "Give 10 to Education", American Education Week, and Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Assist and support veterans pursuing higher education and vocational education.
- Assist and support military children with educational opportunities.

With your help, I hope to assist the National Chairman in achieving these objectives. More information on the activities, programs and awards for the Education Program will be forthcoming in future bulletins and at Fall Conference.

The Department President's Special Project this year, "P.A.W.S.S.", (Pups and Warriors Side by Side) also offers the opportunity to help educate students on the sacrifices made by our veterans and how they can be served. I thank you in advance for all your work in making this a successful year for the Education Program. I look forward to sharing ideas and working with all the Units in the Department of Arizona.

In the Spirit of Service, not for self,
For Veterans, God, and Country,

Julie Vietri

Education Chairman
Department of Arizona

jvietri@msn.com

480-495-1558

Finance

August 2024

Arizona ALA get on the Finance Bandwagon! You can have a successful 2024-2025 year by sending your funds directly to Department for the following:

Department Mandates-due 30 days before 2025 Department Convention

Membership Dues

Poppies -10% of the Net profit

Welfare Pledge

Christmas Pledge

Hospital Parties & Social Services –designate desired VAMC

Gift Shop- Designate desired Gift Shop

Past Presidents Parley – Funds for nursing, health care students

Auxiliary Emergency Fund

Juniors

Girls State

Arizona Campaign Fund

Department Office Overhead/Expense Fund

Cavalcade of Memories

Department Special Project – Pawss (Pets and Warriors Side by Side)

Send other funds directly to the designated non-profit, and not to Department. If you send donations to other non-profits to the Department office your check will be returned to your Unit. Non-profit donations are to be reported on the year-end report and the Impact Report. If you have a question, please call or email this Chairman.

Yolanda Bonilla, Chairman, 602-989-3321, yodobo@msn.com

Penny Maklary, Member, 520-364-5038, ahhpenny@aol.com

Barb White, barbara.white99@gmail.com

Members by Virtue of Office: Stacey Mayberry, President, NEC

Rose Ficklin, Sec/Tres. (no vote)



American Legion Auxiliary

*A Community of Volunteers Serving Veterans,
Military, and their Families*

BLANKET FIDELITY BOND INFORMATION

The American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) National Organization procures a Fidelity Bond which provides coverage for American Legion Auxiliary Unit members and employees in addition to coverage for national officers, national directors, and National Headquarters employees. ALA Departments and ALA Districts/Counties/Councils are not included in the Fidelity Bond coverage provided by the National Organization. Each Department is billed at the beginning of the three-year policy term for its proportionate share of the bond premium for the coverage of its Units.

For Units, the current limits of coverage for Unit officers, Unit members volunteering for ALA programs and operations, and Unit employees is \$10,000 per claim with a deductible of \$250 for each claim.

The Fidelity Bond covers a Unit's loss through larceny, embezzlement, theft, forgery, misappropriation, willful misapplication, or any other act of fraud or dishonesty caused by any member/employee of a chartered American Legion Auxiliary Unit if that person's intent is to cause the Auxiliary Unit to sustain a loss and to enrich himself/herself or another person.

The coverage does not apply when the insured has knowledge that a unit member/employee has committed a fraudulent or dishonest act in the service of the insured. The coverage does not cover mysterious disappearance or burglary.

Blanket Fidelity (Dishonesty) Bond CLAIMS PROCESS

As soon as a loss is discovered, an independent audit should be conducted to substantiate the "proof of loss." Units are strongly encouraged to contact local law enforcement authorities upon confirmation that a loss has occurred.

Notice of a potential claim should be provided in writing with supporting documentation, at the earliest practical time after the loss discovery is confirmed. The Department Secretary should be informed of the potential claim. A carbon copy of the Notification of Potential Bond Claim (see sample below) should be sufficient notification. In order to protect the ALA Unit and the sensitive nature of the circumstance, the unit should only forward a legible copy of the information to the National Treasurer's attention via USPS or express delivery.

At the very least, the notification (sample below) should include the name, address and phone number and e-mail address of the responsible party qualified to make the claim on the Unit's behalf.

To expedite processing, the notification should include all relevant information about the loss (see sample notification):

- the name of the person or persons suspected of being involved in the fraudulent or dishonest acts
- the date or dates of each fraudulent or dishonest act
- a brief outline of the events (narrative) of the facts and circumstances, including if the incident had been reported to the police
- a detailed statement of the loss caused by the fraudulent or dishonest acts
- a copy of all substantiating documents and reports that support the loss and validate the claim.

Once the National Treasurer receives the written notification and supporting documentation, this information will be forwarded to the fidelity bond insurance company. The National Treasurer will request acknowledgement of receipt, and the final dispensation of the claim once the process has been completed.

The assigned investigator will contact the Unit approximately one week after receiving the claim notification. The bond company will request the completion of a Proof of Loss form and advise the Unit of additional information needed to comply with the policy provisions and substantiating the claim.

It is important to remember that the burden of proof resides with the Unit making the claim. The bonding company must receive the completed Proof of Loss form **within four months of the discovery of the loss.**

The notice may be emailed (nationaltreasurer@alaforveterans.org) or faxed (317) 569-4502 to the attention of the National Treasurer. Please exercise caution when transmitting information electronically that is of a sensitive nature. A hardcopy of the notification and supporting documents must also be received by the National Treasurer at National Headquarters. Please mail to:

American Legion Auxiliary, National Headquarters
Attn: National Treasurer
3450 Founders Road
Indianapolis, IN 46268

Filing a bond claim is nothing more than filing an insurance claim and does not replace any independent legal action necessary on the part of your Unit. It is the Unit's responsibility to report illegal activity to the authorities deemed appropriate.

**SAMPLE
(on letterhead)**

NOTIFICATION OF POTENTIAL BOND CLAIM

TO: National Treasurer
American Legion Auxiliary, National Headquarters
3450 Founders Road
Indianapolis, IN 46268

Facsimile: (317) 569-4502
Electronic mail: nationaltreasurer@alaforveterans.org

FROM: Jane Doe, Unit Title
Auxiliary Legion Auxiliary "formal name" Unit #,
Department of (State)

DATE:

Subject: Notice of Potential Bond Claim

American Legion Auxiliary (insert formal name) Unit #123 of the Department of (State) has informed us of a potential bond claim. All relevant information is detailed in the attached materials.

Please advise the bonding company to contact:

Name (President of Unit 123)
Address
City, State Zip
Home Phone:
Work Phone:
Fax:
Email:

Note: The correspondence address listed must be a reliable to receive communications.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO HELP PREVENT LOSS

To help prevent losses, the following are recommended best practices for financial internal controls that can assist with mitigating exposure and risk.

1. Bylaws should provide for the requirement of a regular (monthly or quarterly) Financial Report from the Treasurer.
2. Bylaws should provide for an Annual Independent External Audit or Annual Independent External Review and specify how such audit or review is to be arranged or conducted (e.g., who has the responsibility for selecting and engaging the independent external auditor.)
3. Receipts should be issued for all money received, especially if cash is an acceptable means.
4. Involve a second person in cash receipts processing (counting, recording and banking)
5. Make certain that your cash receipts are reconciled to the bank statements and ledger entries.
6. Countersignatures should be required on all checks.
7. All bills should be paid in a form other than cash.
8. Blank checks should never be pre-signed.
9. Someone independent of Accounts Payables and Receipts (Dues, Donations, Grants) should open and review bank statements.
10. Someone independent of Accounts Payables and Receipts (Dues, Donations, Grants) should review the bank reconciliation(s) on a monthly basis.
11. Someone independent of Accounts Payables should review the vendor list to authenticate vendor addresses do not match that of an officer/member/employee address.
12. Electronic Funds/ACH/Wire Transactions should require a dual authentication system.

Historian Report August 2024 August is National Convention Month



ALA's early days: The women who blazed the trail!

American Legion Auxiliary History

Throughout our nearly 100 years of existence, each American Legion Auxiliary member has had a hand in the organization's longstanding legacy of selfless service to millions of America's veterans, servicemembers, military families, and local youth.

Each Auxiliary member puts in the work, time, heart, and soul to keep that legacy of service alive. They follow the path blazed by the previous generation of ALA members and volunteers.

Arizona Department History

What is your units History, I would like to hear from you. Please Post on Ring your Bell and email a copy to Lynda4ala@gmail.com , pictures and stories of events your unit is celebrating. September is Music Month do you have an event planned is there history behind your event.

Unit History

Looking for information about being a Unit Historian?

- Log onto the ALA National Website: Historian Resources you will need your members ID number and password: <https://member.legion-aux.org/member/resources/history>
- Read about the Department's History Awards and how to write your Unit's History. <https://www.aladeptaz.org/10.--department-awards---narratives---impact-reports---national-award-forms.html>
- Contact me at Lynda Griffin, Department Historian: Lynda4ala@gamil.com

LET SHOW UP AND SHOW OUR ARIZONA DEPARTMENT HISTORY!

Leadership/Arizona Mission Training

2024 August

What a great convention! Congratulations to all who participated. You are all winners! Many of our units copy out the list of awards (aladeptaz.org) for everyone to see at your meetings or to share outside of your regular meetings. The members could decide what they want to focus on this coming year and work toward that program. Why not try something new? We had many awards that were not given out simply because there were no entries. All are worthwhile awards to strive for.

Once again, we encourage all members to check out the seminars and courses available to us on the national website. You can do them on your own timetable and at your convenience. They are available on the national website. (alaforveterans.org).

A resolution for Leadership was passed in Executive session and on the convention floor. What it means is that anyone can apply to be a Leadership Instructor. The application is on the department website. The application will then be sent to your Leadership Chairman by May 1, 2025. My information is at the bottom of this bulletin.

We ask that if you are planning to hold a training, please contact me and I will help you schedule one. Remember, you will need a minimum of 10 members with a \$10 fee for each one sent to department 10 days prior to the scheduled date. If you have further questions, please contact me. If calling, text and I will return your call. text and I will return your call.

Karen Smith, Chairman 520-249-1119 *ksmith111@cox.net*

American Legion Auxiliary

Department of Arizona

Leadership/Arizona Mission Training

Instructor Application

Name: _____ **Date** _____

Address: _____

City _____ **Zip Code** _____

Unit: _____

Years of Membership _____

Number of Arizona Mission Trainings attended: _____

Number of National Mission Trainings attended: _____

Please list all offices and chairman leadership positions that you have held in the Auxiliary.

Why do you think you would be a good Leadership Instructor? As an instructor are you willing to travel?

Have you completed any American Legion Academy Webinar courses? If so, please list them.

You may be contacted to give a short presentation on some aspect of the American Legion Auxiliary programs (i.e. Americanism, AEF etc.). Would you be prepared to do this? _____

Return this form to: Karen Smith.

**Karen Smith
ksmith11@cox.net**

Legislative Bulletin

July 2024

Greetings,

Welcome to our new year. This is my second year as legislative chairman. I learned so much last year and am really excited to learn even more this year.

My name is Kathy Amery, Unit 62 President, District 11 Vice President. I would like to thank Madam President Stacy Mayberry, for this appointment.

The American Legion has a long history of influencing change on a national level. Many benefits that our Veterans have today, are due to the hard work of both the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary. That is why this is so important to continue moving forward with benefits for our Veterans and their families. There is still much work to be done.

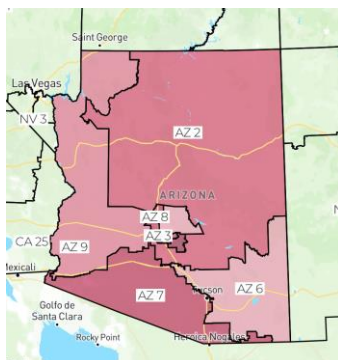
Last year I posted about knowing your Congressional district and have included it again this year. But let's not stop there. This is an election year and let's take advantage of educating our members on what is going on and making sure we promote **Get out and Vote**. No matter if you are R or D or I, it is important that we know who we are voting for.

How can we do that, you ask? Reach out and have candidates in your area come and speak at your meetings. Take the party affiliation out of it and ask yourself,

- does this candidate agree with my standards?
- Who is this person that wants to represent the people.
- Will he/she put my best interest in making decisions that affect me and my family?
- Ask them questions that are important to you. Did they answer the question?

You might find surprising you have more in common with one another than you thought especially if they are not of your affiliation." Well, I just don't like that person" Again ask yourself is it all about me or what is best for my town, county, district or country. Let's vote smart and informed!

Congressional district.¹



<https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members/AZ#map>

We also have two Senators. Krysten Sinema, Independent, Mark Kelley, Democrat. Contact information can be found at: <https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members/AZ>

There is even a tab that is for LEGISLATOR MISCONDUCT! Yes from 1789 to present! Not only that you can also track some of these bills that we are supporting and see how our Arizona representatives voted. STAY INFORMED!

Did you know

- A bill must be passed by both the House and Senate in identical form and then be signed by the President to become law.
- Bills numbers restart every two years. That means there are other bills with the same number

Check out the video on How a Bill becomes a Law from schoolhouse rock 1976

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tyeJ55o3EI0>

Arizona Government

Information on Arizona Local government resources: <https://www.azleg.gov/memberroster/>

As the year progresses, I will update you on more information. In the meantime, if you have questions, feel free to reach out to me.

Kathy Amery
Legislative Chairman
2024-2025
Luv2p8@gmail.com
623-640-0134

Military Quality of Life

The U.S. military's greatest resources are servicemembers and their families. Without highly qualified and committed men and women, even the most sophisticated weaponry will not provide the deterrence necessary to defend our nation. Factors contributing to quality of life include proper compensation, appropriate housing, quality healthcare, reasonably priced commissaries, and access to childcare services. The American Legion urges Congress to pass legislation to expand access to affordable childcare, increase appropriations for military construction projects (including barracks and family housing), and ensuring timely access to mental healthcare.

Military Housing Readiness Council Act (S. 2047)

Pay the Coast Guard

U.S. Coast Guard personnel carry out vital national security missions. Still, because the Coast Guard is under the Department of Homeland Security instead of DOD, its members are more likely to experience pay interruptions during prolonged government shutdowns. The common threat of shutdowns brings severe and unnecessary hardship on these men, women, and their families. The American Legion urges Congress to pass legislation that would guarantee that Coast Guard personnel are paid in case of a shutdown.

Pay Our Coast Guard Parity Act (H.R. 2693)

Access to healthcare for overseas military and families

Military personnel stationed overseas in support of U.S. interests and our alliances provide a key role in deterring adversaries from a myriad of actions. However, even after the realignment of medical services in overseas and remote locations under the Defense Health Agency (DHA), major issues involving access to various types of healthcare continue. Additionally, the lack of access to certain types of care limits overseas assignments and contributes to military families being separated for extended periods of time.

Health Care Fairness for Military Families Act (H.R. 1045)

Improving the military TAP

The American Legion urges Congress to direct the modernization of Transition Assistance Program (TAP) delivery using technology and performance data to ensure the DOD delivers a successful program. The creation of a mobile application, providing servicemembers with an extensive toolkit of on-demand transition-related content would improve participation and increase the benefit of transition resources available. Delivering effective transition assistance will ensure a veteran's proper reintegration from active duty to civilian life and reduce negative experiences. Improved TAP instruction will support our servicemembers in finding education, employment, and entrepreneurship opportunities and send successful citizens back to our communities.

VET-TEC Authorization Act of 2023 (H.R. 1669)

Protect the American Flag

The American Legion urges Congress to approve an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that would allow Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the U.S. flag. Additionally, The American Legion urges Congress to pass the Flag Code Modernization Act of 2021 to amend the U.S. Flag Code to codify common patriotic customs and practices as described in The American Legion Resolution No. 19: Flag Code Amendment.

Senate Joint Resolution 34

The American Legion's Grassroots Action Center

Scan the QR code to visit
The American Legion's
Grassroots Action Center



The American Legion Legislative Agenda

For the 118th Congress, 2nd Session

The American Legion is the voice of U.S. military veterans and servicemembers. A resolution-based organization, The American Legion's positions represent the views of its nearly 1.6 million members and shape the organization's legislative priorities for the 118th Congress:

Suicide Prevention & Mental Health

Suicide remains a top issue in the veteran community. The suicide rate among veterans is nearly double that of civilian counterparts. It is imperative that we simultaneously destigmatize mental health assistance, while increasing access. The American Legion encourages Congress to robustly fund VA's suicide prevention outreach budget and peer support programs. We encourage all Americans to "Be the One" who is willing, ready, and able to have a difficult conversations about suicide and other mental health issues.

PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program (H.R. 2768)

VA Zero Suicide Demonstration Act (H.R. 1639)

Alternative Treatments

Data from the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) shows that in 2021, approximately 2.8 million veterans experienced an illicit drug or alcohol use disorder, with 92.4 percent not receiving treatment. More must be done to ensure veterans have access to the effective treatments they desire. This includes expanding research and access into alternative treatments and emerging therapies.

TBI and PTSD Treatment Act (H.R. 105)

VA Healthcare Modernization

The biggest issue in the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Healthcare Modernization is the implementation of the new electronic health record modernization program (EHRM). VA has experienced difficulties as the EHRM rollout has progressed. Some

issues identified were the differences in the training software compared to end-user software, along with inexperienced instructors providing the training to VA staff. VA made improvements on these identified issues. As the EHRM rollout is set to resume in 2024, The American Legion continues to call on Congress to provide oversight and to hold VA and other relevant parties accountable for the implementation and functioning of the EHR system.

The Department of Veterans Affairs Electronic Health Record Modernization Improvement Act (H.R. 592)

PACT Act: Implementation & Oversight

Since the implementation of Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act, VA has screened more than 5 million veterans for toxic exposure. The average time to complete a PACT Act-related claim is 157 days. It is imperative that VA fully leverage the resources made available in the PACT Act to assist in the continued modernization of Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) information technology systems as well as the hiring of additional employees to ensure claims are adjudicated in a timely manner. The American Legion urges Congress to provide the necessary oversight and funding to ensure VA has the resources to properly implement this legislation.

Safeguard Veteran Benefits

Veterans are facing a growing threat from exploitative entities aiming to capitalize on the benefits rightfully earned through military service. These predatory actors range from claims companies charging exorbitant fees to lawyers seeking sizable portions of VA disability benefit payments. The American Legion urges Congress to pass legislation to: restore criminal penalties for persons or companies that represent or charge veterans fees to file, prepare or prosecute initial VA claims without VA accreditation; and to oppose any legislation that would allow unaccredited parties to become legal representatives without completing the accreditation process. The American Legion's advocacy role remains focused on safeguarding the well-deserved benefits of those who have served.

Veterans Benefits Improvement Act (H.R. 1530)

Concurrent Receipt

There are currently 42,000 military retirees with combat-related injuries who are eligible for retirement pay from the Department of Defense (DOD) and compensation for service-connected disabilities from the VA. However, retired veterans with a disability rating below 50-percent have their VA compensation deducted from their DOD retirement pay. The American Legion strongly supports ending this inequitable policy, where many military retirees must forfeit their retired pay to receive equal amounts of disability compensation.

The Richard Star Act (H.R. 1282)

Guard & Reserve GI Bill Parity

National Guard and Reserve servicemembers are being deprived of education benefits that active-duty servicemembers enjoy, despite completing the same duties. According to current law, National Guard and Reserve servicemembers only accrue GI Bill entitlement when called to active duty under federal orders. When Guard and Reserve servicemembers are activated under state orders, they do not accrue eligibility for Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits like their active-duty counterparts do. The American Legion believes that every day in uniform counts and urges Congress to recognize the service of Guard and Reserve servicemembers as eligible for the GI Bill.

GI Bill for Honorable Service

To receive most VA benefits, a veteran's character of discharge or service must be "under honorable conditions." However, GI Bill education assistance benefits have a requirement that servicemembers receive an "honorable discharge." If the character of service is "general under honorable conditions," this benefit remains out of reach for these veterans. The American Legion urges Congress to correct this statutory incongruity by amending U.S. Code to allow access to VA educational assistance to veterans with general under honorable conditions discharges.

2023-2024 Membership August 22, 2024

| | | UNIT | CITY | OBJECTIVE | JUNIOR | SENIOR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|----|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | | 0100 | Phoenix | 163 | 7 | 159 | 166 | 101.84% |
| | | Total | | 163 | 7 | 159 | 166 | 101.84% |
| | Total | | | 163 | 7 | 159 | 166 | 101.84% |
| 01 | | 0019 | Yuma | 216 | 8 | 194 | 202 | 93.52% |
| | | 0046 | Bouse | 58 | 2 | 49 | 51 | 87.93% |
| | | 0056 | Yuma | 84 | 0 | 73 | 73 | 86.90% |
| | | Total | | 358 | 10 | 316 | 326 | 91.06% |
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| 02 | | 0007 | Tucson | 62 | 1 | 34 | 35 | 56.45% |
| | | 0036 | Tucson | 279 | 3 | 260 | 263 | 94.27% |
| | | 0059 | Tucson | 160 | 4 | 136 | 140 | 87.50% |
| | | 0066 | Green Valley | 930 | 1 | 886 | 887 | 95.38% |
| | | 0068 | Tucson | 61 | 0 | 56 | 56 | 91.80% |
| | | 0073 | Tucson | 35 | 1 | 27 | 28 | 80.00% |
| | | 0109 | Vail | 365 | 8 | 372 | 380 | 104.11% |
| | | 0125 | Tucson | 15 | 1 | 14 | 15 | 100.00% |
| | | 0131 | Green Valley | 555 | 1 | 573 | 574 | 103.42% |
| | | 0132 | Oro Valley | 85 | 2 | 80 | 82 | 96.47% |
| | | Total | | 2547 | 22 | 2438 | 2460 | 96.58% |
| | Total | | | 2547 | 22 | 2438 | 2460 | 96.58% |
| 03 | | 0011 | Douglas | 176 | 6 | 132 | 138 | 78.41% |
| | | 0016 | Bisbee | 80 | 0 | 58 | 58 | 72.50% |
| | | 0024 | Tombstone | 420 | 3 | 402 | 405 | 96.43% |
| | | 0045 | Benson | 52 | 4 | 43 | 47 | 90.38% |
| | | 0052 | Sierra Vista | 175 | 3 | 198 | 201 | 114.86% |
| | | 0141 | Pearce | 20 | 0 | 21 | 21 | 105.00% |
| | | Total | | 923 | 16 | 854 | 870 | 94.26% |
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| 04 | | 0008 | Casa Grande | 42 | 3 | 27 | 30 | 71.43% |
| | | 0009 | Florence | 90 | 2 | 118 | 120 | 133.33% |
| | | 0051 | Coolidge | 65 | 8 | 58 | 66 | 101.54% |
| | | 0054 | Coolidge | 108 | 3 | 87 | 90 | 83.33% |
| | | 0097 | San Tan Valley | 30 | 3 | 34 | 37 | 123.33% |
| | | 0129 | Queen Creek | 21 | 1 | 15 | 16 | 76.19% |
| | | 0133 | Maricopa | 40 | 1 | 29 | 30 | 75.00% |
| | | Total | | 396 | 21 | 368 | 389 | 98.23% |
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|----|--------------|--------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| 05 | | 0004 | Globe | 50 | 2 | 33 | 35 | 70.00% |
| | | 0028 | Clifton | 105 | 2 | 76 | 78 | 74.29% |
| | | 0032 | Safford | 152 | 0 | 151 | 151 | 99.34% |
| | | 0095 | Solomon | 84 | 7 | 73 | 80 | 95.24% |
| | | Total | | 391 | 11 | 333 | 344 | 87.98% |
| | Total | | 391 | 11 | 333 | 344 | 87.98% | |
| 06 | | 0030 | Springerville | 80 | 0 | 85 | 85 | 106.25% |
| | | 0037 | Holbrook | 55 | 0 | 39 | 39 | 70.91% |
| | | 0069 | Payson | 145 | 0 | 128 | 128 | 88.28% |
| | | 0076 | Show Low | 31 | 3 | 15 | 18 | 58.06% |
| | | 0086 | Overgaard | 328 | 5 | 415 | 420 | 128.05% |
| | | 0130 | Concho | 10 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 20.00% |
| | Total | | 649 | 8 | 684 | 692 | 106.63% | |
| | Total | | 649 | 8 | 684 | 692 | 106.63% | |
| 07 | | 0003 | Flagstaff | 93 | 5 | 60 | 65 | 69.89% |
| | | 0013 | Williams | 52 | 1 | 46 | 47 | 90.38% |
| | | 0014 | Kingman | 131 | 11 | 131 | 142 | 108.40% |
| | | 0022 | Golden Valley | 120 | 3 | 143 | 146 | 121.67% |
| | | 0042 | Grand Canyon | 32 | 6 | 30 | 36 | 112.50% |
| | | 0057 | Ash Fork | 71 | 3 | 77 | 80 | 112.68% |
| | | 0081 | Lake Havasu City | 650 | 8 | 668 | 676 | 104.00% |
| | | 0087 | Bullhead City | 165 | 2 | 152 | 154 | 93.33% |
| | | 0088 | Dolan Springs | 40 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 12.50% |
| | | 0103 | Meadview | 58 | 0 | 40 | 40 | 68.97% |
| | | 0123 | Seligman | 0 | 1 | 37 | 38 | |
| | | 0136 | Yucca | 15 | 0 | 11 | 11 | 73.33% |
| | Total | | 1427 | 40 | 1400 | 1440 | 100.91% | |
| | Total | | 1427 | 40 | 1400 | 1440 | 100.91% | |
| 08 | | 0006 | Prescott | 240 | 1 | 259 | 260 | 108.33% |
| | | 0025 | Cottonwood | 280 | 7 | 295 | 302 | 107.86% |
| | | 0040 | Chino Valley | 103 | 0 | 98 | 98 | 95.15% |
| | | 0078 | Humboldt | 160 | 5 | 153 | 158 | 98.75% |
| | | 0079 | Yarnell | 153 | 0 | 184 | 184 | 120.26% |
| | | 0090 | Black Canyon City | 55 | 1 | 74 | 75 | 136.36% |
| | | 0093 | Camp Verde | 110 | 0 | 107 | 107 | 97.27% |
| | | 0108 | Prescott Valley | 42 | 3 | 32 | 35 | 83.33% |
| | | 0135 | Cornville | 65 | 5 | 37 | 42 | 64.62% |
| | | 0140 | Prescott Valley | 30 | 4 | 15 | 19 | 63.33% |
| | Total | | 1238 | 26 | 1254 | 1280 | 103.39% | |
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|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| 11 | | 0001 | Phoenix | 125 | 0 | 125 | 125 | 100.00% |
| | | 0005 | Phoenix | 72 | 2 | 58 | 60 | 83.33% |
| | | 0012 | Wickenburg | 209 | 4 | 215 | 219 | 104.78% |
| | | 0029 | Glendale | 297 | 11 | 244 | 255 | 85.86% |
| | | 0053 | Buckeye | 26 | 0 | 25 | 25 | 96.15% |
| | | 0061 | Avondale | 201 | 2 | 206 | 208 | 103.48% |
| | | 0062 | Peoria | 915 | 37 | 968 | 1005 | 109.84% |
| | | 0105 | Phoenix | 210 | 6 | 207 | 213 | 101.43% |
| | | 0115 | Glendale | 22 | 5 | 26 | 31 | 140.91% |
| | | 0134 | Phoenix | 22 | 3 | 16 | 19 | 86.36% |
| | | 0145 | Peoria | 0 | 1 | 9 | 10 | |
| | | Total | | | 2099 | 71 | 2099 | 2170 |
| | Total | | | 2099 | 71 | 2099 | 2170 | 103.38% |
| 12 | | 0002 | Tempe | 103 | 3 | 103 | 106 | 102.91% |
| | | 0026 | Mesa | 248 | 2 | 228 | 230 | 92.74% |
| | | 0027 | Apache Junction | 1820 | 5 | 1899 | 1904 | 104.62% |
| | | 0034 | Cave Creek | 318 | 1 | 319 | 320 | 100.63% |
| | | 0035 | Chandler | 316 | 9 | 298 | 307 | 97.15% |
| | | 0039 | Gilbert | 475 | 13 | 504 | 517 | 108.84% |
| | | 0041 | Phoenix | 317 | 14 | 334 | 348 | 109.78% |
| | | 0044 | Scottsdale | 326 | 0 | 339 | 339 | 103.99% |
| | | 0058 | Fountain Hills | 355 | 10 | 388 | 398 | 112.11% |
| | | 0064 | Phoenix | 20 | 0 | 22 | 22 | 110.00% |
| | | 0065 | Phoenix | 345 | 50 | 296 | 346 | 100.29% |
| | | 0084 | Sacaton | 63 | 6 | 41 | 47 | 74.60% |
| | | 0091 | Chandler | 235 | 21 | 252 | 273 | 116.17% |
| | | 0107 | Phoenix | 225 | 2 | 201 | 203 | 90.22% |
| | | 0114 | Scottsdale | 58 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 8.62% |
| | | 0117 | Phoenix | 240 | 5 | 251 | 256 | 106.67% |
| | | 0124 | Guadalupe | 25 | 2 | 24 | 26 | 104.00% |
| | 0138 | Tempe | 56 | 0 | 57 | 57 | 101.79% | |
| | Total | | | 5545 | 143 | 5561 | 5704 | 102.87% |
| | Total | | | 5545 | 143 | 5561 | 5704 | 102.87% |
| Total | Total | | | 15736 | 375 | 15466 | 15841 | 100.67% |

2024-2025 Membership August 22, 2024

| | | UNIT | CITY | OBJECTIVE | JUNIOR | SENIOR | TOTAL | PERCENT |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 0100 | Phoenix | 171 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 8.19% |
| | | Total | | 171 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 8.19% |
| | Total | | | 171 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 8.19% |
| 01 | | 0019 | Yuma | 216 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 2.78% |
| | | 0046 | Bouse | 58 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3.45% |
| | | 0056 | Yuma | 80 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2.50% |
| | | Total | | 354 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 2.82% |
| | Total | | | 354 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 2.82% |
| 02 | | 0007 | Tucson | 45 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2.22% |
| | | 0036 | Tucson | 279 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 2.15% |
| | | 0059 | Tucson | 145 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 6.21% |
| | | 0066 | Green Valley | 900 | 0 | 119 | 119 | 13.22% |
| | | 0068 | Tucson | 61 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | | 0073 | Tucson | 35 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 22.86% |
| | | 0109 | Vail | 390 | 0 | 25 | 25 | 6.41% |
| | | 0125 | Tucson | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | | 0131 | Green Valley | 580 | 0 | 46 | 46 | 7.93% |
| | | 0132 | Oro Valley | 85 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 8.24% |
| | | Total | | 2536 | 1 | 220 | 221 | 8.71% |
| Total | | | 2536 | 1 | 220 | 221 | 8.71% | |
| 03 | | 0011 | Douglas | 145 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1.38% |
| | | 0016 | Bisbee | 64 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 7.81% |
| | | 0024 | Tombstone | 415 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 2.41% |
| | | 0045 | Benson | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | | 0052 | Sierra Vista | 210 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 6.67% |
| | | 0141 | Pearce | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | | Total | | 906 | 0 | 31 | 31 | 3.42% |
| Total | | | 906 | 0 | 31 | 31 | 3.42% | |
| 04 | | 0008 | Casa Grande | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | | 0009 | Florence | 125 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.80% |
| | | 0051 | Coolidge | 70 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | | 0054 | Coolidge | 93 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2.15% |
| | | 0097 | San Tan Valley | 40 | 1 | 13 | 14 | 35.00% |
| | | 0129 | Queen Creek | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | | 0133 | Maricopa | 35 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2.86% |
| | | Total | | 419 | 1 | 17 | 18 | 4.30% |
| Total | | | 419 | 1 | 17 | 18 | 4.30% | |

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| 05 | 0004 | Globe | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0028 | Clifton | 85 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1.18% |
| | 0032 | Safford | 155 | 0 | 31 | 31 | 20.00% |
| | 0095 | Solomon | 82 | 0 | 12 | 12 | 14.63% |
| | Total | | 362 | 0 | 44 | 44 | 12.15% |
| Total | | 362 | 0 | 44 | 44 | 12.15% | |
| 06 | 0030 | Springerville | 90 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0037 | Holbrook | 25 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4.00% |
| | 0069 | Payson | 130 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0076 | Show Low | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Err:512 |
| | 0086 | Overgaard | 415 | 0 | 13 | 13 | 3.13% |
| | 0130 | Concho | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Err:512 |
| | Total | | 660 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 2.12% |
| Total | | 660 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 2.12% | |
| 07 | 0003 | Flagstaff | 73 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0013 | Williams | 50 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 8.00% |
| | 0014 | Kingman | 145 | 1 | 13 | 14 | 9.66% |
| | 0022 | Golden Valley | 150 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.67% |
| | 0042 | Grand Canyon | 38 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2.63% |
| | 0057 | Ash Fork | 80 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2.50% |
| | 0081 | Lake Havasu City | 670 | 4 | 85 | 89 | 13.28% |
| | 0087 | Bullhead City | 132 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1.52% |
| | 0088 | Dolan Springs | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0103 | Meadview | 43 | 0 | 17 | 17 | 39.53% |
| | 0123 | Seligman | 40 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2.50% |
| | 0136 | Yucca | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | Total | | 1446 | 5 | 126 | 131 | 9.06% |
| Total | | 1446 | 5 | 126 | 131 | 9.06% | |
| 08 | 0006 | Prescott | 263 | 0 | 20 | 20 | 7.60% |
| | 0025 | Cottonwood | 306 | 1 | 54 | 55 | 17.97% |
| | 0040 | Chino Valley | 95 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2.11% |
| | 0078 | Humboldt | 160 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1.88% |
| | 0079 | Yarnell | 183 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1.09% |
| | 0090 | Black Canyon City | 75 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0093 | Camp Verde | 112 | 0 | 11 | 11 | 9.82% |
| | 0108 | Prescott Valley | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0135 | Cornville | 47 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 4.26% |
| | 0140 | Prescott Valley | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | Total | | 1302 | 1 | 94 | 95 | 7.30% |
| Total | | 1302 | 1 | 94 | 95 | 7.30% | |

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| 11 | 0001 | Phoenix | 127 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.79% |
| | 0005 | Phoenix | 65 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1.54% |
| | 0012 | Wickenburg | 220 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0.91% |
| | 0029 | Glendale | 250 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 2.00% |
| | 0053 | Buckeye | 30 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 13.33% |
| | 0061 | Avondale | 215 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 6.51% |
| | 0062 | Peoria | 1000 | 31 | 79 | 110 | 11.00% |
| | 0105 | Phoenix | 215 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 3.26% |
| | 0115 | Glendale | 35 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 25.71% |
| | 0134 | Phoenix | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0145 | Peoria | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | Total | | 2193 | 33 | 120 | 153 | 6.98% |
| | Total | | 2193 | 33 | 120 | 153 | 6.98% |
| 12 | 0002 | Tempe | 111 | 0 | 13 | 13 | 11.71% |
| | 0026 | Mesa | 235 | 1 | 28 | 29 | 12.34% |
| | 0027 | Apache Junction | 1920 | 2 | 226 | 228 | 11.88% |
| | 0034 | Cave Creek | 320 | 0 | 20 | 20 | 6.25% |
| | 0035 | Chandler | 316 | 1 | 30 | 31 | 9.81% |
| | 0039 | Gilbert | 520 | 2 | 65 | 67 | 12.88% |
| | 0041 | Phoenix | 350 | 4 | 34 | 38 | 10.86% |
| | 0044 | Scottsdale | 340 | 0 | 11 | 11 | 3.24% |
| | 0058 | Fountain Hills | 405 | 0 | 8 | 8 | 1.98% |
| | 0064 | Phoenix | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0065 | Phoenix | 350 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 1.71% |
| | 0084 | Sacaton | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0091 | Chandler | 275 | 3 | 45 | 48 | 17.45% |
| | 0107 | Phoenix | 210 | 1 | 37 | 38 | 18.10% |
| | 0114 | Scottsdale | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| | 0117 | Phoenix | 265 | 2 | 54 | 56 | 21.13% |
| | 0124 | Guadalupe | 30 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 16.67% |
| | 0138 | Tempe | 54 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1.85% |
| | Total | | 5801 | 18 | 581 | 599 | 10.33% |
| | Total | | 5801 | 18 | 581 | 599 | 10.33% |
| Total | Total | | 16150 | 59 | 1271 | 1330 | 8.24% |

ALA DEPT OF AZ MEMBERSHIP TRANSMITTAL

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CAN BE REPRODUCED

REMINDER

When ordering blank membership cards from Department, each sheet is \$1. This is to cover the cost Department pays to National for each sheet.

Payment must be included with your order.

Any questions, contact Department at:
secretary1@aladeptaz.org or 602-241-1080





**American Legion Auxiliary
PAID UP FOR LIFE
MEMBERSHIP**

Please type or print – see instructions on reverse)

SECTION 1 – To be completed by APPLICANT

FULL NAME: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: (required) ____ / ____ / ____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Address)

(City) (State) (Zip)

PUFL MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$ _____
(see rate chart on reverse side)

DAYTIME TEL # (____) ____ - ____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: * _____ EMAIL _____
**can only be omitted if membership is a gift; if a gift, please refer to section below*

| | | |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| Date Application Submitted to Unit Secretary ____ / ____ / ____ | *FOR GIFT Mail Card to: → | Name: _____ Tel #: (____) ____ - ____ |
| | | Address: _____ |
| | | City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ |

Indicate Payment Method:

Check or Money Order - - Make payable to: *American Legion Auxiliary*

MasterCard Card # _____ - _____ - _____ - _____ Expiration date: ____ / ____ CVV: _____

Visa Card # _____ - _____ - _____ - _____ Expiration date: ____ / ____ CVV: _____

Daytime Tel # _____ - _____ - _____ Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

SECTION 2 – To be completed by UNIT SECRETARY

With my signature below, I certify that applicant is a member in good standing, has a valid membership card (has paid dues) for the current year, that application is completed in full, that the PUFL fee listed above is accurate, and that the application is ready for processing at National Headquarters. *Note: After January 1, a member's current year's dues must be paid before they can apply for a PUFL membership and cannot be deducted from the total PUFL fee (see information on back)*

Applicants Membership ID #: _____ Last membership year paid: _____

Unit #: _____ Department/State: _____ Annual Unit Dues (Unit + Dept + Nat'l): \$ _____

***Is Unit waiving its portion of dues for this applicant? Yes _____ No _____**
(By doing so, the Unit forfeits or "gives up" the annual payment of that member's dues for the remainder of their membership.)

Signature of Unit Secretary: _____ Date application certified: ____ / ____ / ____

Address: _____ Email: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Daytime Tel #: (____) ____ - ____

**for explanation, see "COST" section on reverse side*

Send this form, along with payment to:

American Legion Auxiliary, National Headquarters
 ATTN: Membership Division - PUFL
 3450 Founders Road
 Indianapolis, IN 46268

**** The PUFL fee for applications processed after June 30 must be based on the total Unit dues for the following membership year.***

Note: PUFL Fees are non-refundable

SECTION 3 – To be completed by NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

NATIONAL per capita: \$ _____ DEPARTMENT per capita: \$ _____ Balance for UNIT: \$ _____

Date card sent ____ / ____ / ____

ELIGIBILITY: Any member of the American Legion Auxiliary in good standing (having a valid membership card for the current year) may pay dues in advance for the remainder of member's life. After January 1, a member's dues must be paid for the current year before becoming eligible to purchase a PUFL membership. If a member pays their dues in advance and decides before the start of the membership year that they want to purchase a PUFL membership, that dues amount may be deducted from the total PUFL membership cost until January 1 of the current membership year. After January 1st the full PUFL fee must be paid.

COMPLETING APPLICATION: The APPLICANT completes and signs the top portion of the application form and submits to the Unit Secretary for certification that member is in good standing and has paid dues for current year. Payment or charge card information must be provided before the application can be processed. Make check or money order payable to American Legion Auxiliary. See the rate chart below for payment due. The UNIT SECRETARY must: 1) Verify that applicant has paid the current year dues; 2) complete and sign the second section of the application.

PROCESSING APPLICATION: After the application and payment are accepted and processed by National Headquarters, a permanent PUFL Membership card is sent to the member. The card is proof of the member's paid-up-for-life membership status. Each year thereafter, National Headquarters will send the Unit, through its Department Headquarters, the Unit's share of the member's annual dues, unless the unit has agreed to waive their portion. The Unit and Department will receive the same amount each year as long as the member lives and remains a member of that Unit.

COST: The cost of a PUFL membership is based upon two factors -- the member's age at the time of application/purchase and the total dues of the Unit at the time the application is processed.* The total dues of the Unit consist of the Department per capita, the National per capita and the amount of annual dues retained by the Unit. The dues amount used to compute the cost of a PUFL membership may not be less than the sum of the Department per capita plus National per capita. (Units may waive their portion of dues. By doing so, the Unit forfeits or "gives up" the annual payment of that member's dues from the Paid Up For Life Trust.) NOTE: see "ELIGIBILITY" section (above) about deducting dues paid in advance from the total PUFL fee.

** The PUFL fee for applications processed after June 30 must be based on the total Unit dues for the following membership year.*

The rate chart must be used to determine the exact cost of a Paid Up For Life membership. At the top of the chart, select your age group -- the age at your last birthday. In the left-hand column, find the amount of your annual Unit dues (round to the nearest dollar amount) and trace across to your age column. This amount is the cost of your PUFL Membership.

Example: if you are 62 years old and your Unit dues are \$25.00, the cost of your PUFL membership is \$525.00.

If your dues amount is higher than \$60.00, you can find a continuation of the PUFL rate chart in the Member Resources section of the national website at www.ALAforVeterans.org

PUFL FEE RATE CHART

Effective September 1, 2014

| Rate of Sr. Annual Dues | Age When Single Payment Made | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| | Birth to 11 | 12 to 17 | 18 to 24 | 25 to 29 | 30 to 39 | 40 to 49 | 50 to 59 | 60 to 69 | 70 to 79 | 80 & Over |
| \$18.00 | 801 | 751 | 721 | 681 | 649 | 575 | 487 | 386 | 283 | 184 |
| \$19.00 | 842 | 790 | 758 | 716 | 682 | 605 | 512 | 406 | 297 | 194 |
| \$20.00 | 883 | 828 | 795 | 751 | 715 | 634 | 537 | 426 | 312 | 203 |
| \$21.00 | 924 | 867 | 832 | 785 | 748 | 663 | 562 | 446 | 326 | 212 |
| \$22.00 | 966 | 905 | 869 | 820 | 782 | 693 | 587 | 465 | 341 | 222 |
| \$23.00 | 1,007 | 944 | 906 | 855 | 815 | 722 | 612 | 485 | 355 | 231 |
| \$24.00 | 1,048 | 982 | 943 | 890 | 848 | 752 | 637 | 505 | 370 | 241 |
| \$25.00 | 1,089 | 1,021 | 979 | 925 | 881 | 781 | 662 | 525 | 384 | 250 |
| \$26.00 | 1,130 | 1,059 | 1,016 | 960 | 915 | 811 | 687 | 545 | 399 | 260 |
| \$27.00 | 1,171 | 1,098 | 1,053 | 995 | 948 | 840 | 712 | 565 | 413 | 269 |
| \$28.00 | 1,212 | 1,136 | 1,090 | 1,030 | 981 | 870 | 737 | 584 | 428 | 279 |
| \$29.00 | 1,253 | 1,175 | 1,127 | 1,065 | 1,014 | 899 | 762 | 604 | 442 | 288 |
| \$30.00 | 1,294 | 1,213 | 1,164 | 1,100 | 1,048 | 929 | 787 | 624 | 457 | 297 |
| \$31.00 | 1,335 | 1,252 | 1,201 | 1,135 | 1,081 | 958 | 812 | 644 | 471 | 307 |
| \$32.00 | 1,376 | 1,290 | 1,238 | 1,169 | 1,114 | 988 | 837 | 664 | 486 | 316 |
| \$33.00 | 1,418 | 1,329 | 1,275 | 1,204 | 1,148 | 1,017 | 862 | 683 | 500 | 326 |
| \$34.00 | 1,459 | 1,367 | 1,312 | 1,239 | 1,181 | 1,047 | 887 | 703 | 515 | 335 |
| \$35.00 | 1,500 | 1,406 | 1,349 | 1,274 | 1,214 | 1,076 | 912 | 723 | 529 | 345 |
| \$36.00 | 1,541 | 1,444 | 1,386 | 1,309 | 1,247 | 1,106 | 937 | 743 | 544 | 354 |
| \$37.00 | 1,582 | 1,483 | 1,423 | 1,344 | 1,281 | 1,135 | 962 | 763 | 558 | 364 |
| \$38.00 | 1,623 | 1,521 | 1,460 | 1,379 | 1,314 | 1,165 | 987 | 782 | 573 | 373 |
| \$39.00 | 1,664 | 1,560 | 1,497 | 1,414 | 1,347 | 1,194 | 1,012 | 802 | 587 | 382 |
| \$40.00 | 1,705 | 1,598 | 1,534 | 1,449 | 1,380 | 1,224 | 1,037 | 822 | 602 | 392 |
| \$41.00 | 1,746 | 1,637 | 1,571 | 1,484 | 1,414 | 1,253 | 1,062 | 842 | 616 | 401 |
| \$42.00 | 1,787 | 1,675 | 1,608 | 1,518 | 1,447 | 1,283 | 1,087 | 862 | 630 | 411 |
| \$43.00 | 1,828 | 1,714 | 1,645 | 1,553 | 1,480 | 1,312 | 1,112 | 881 | 645 | 420 |
| \$44.00 | 1,869 | 1,752 | 1,682 | 1,588 | 1,513 | 1,342 | 1,137 | 901 | 659 | 430 |
| \$45.00 | 1,911 | 1,791 | 1,719 | 1,623 | 1,547 | 1,371 | 1,162 | 921 | 674 | 439 |
| \$46.00 | 1,952 | 1,829 | 1,756 | 1,658 | 1,580 | 1,401 | 1,187 | 941 | 688 | 449 |
| \$47.00 | 1,993 | 1,868 | 1,793 | 1,693 | 1,613 | 1,430 | 1,212 | 961 | 703 | 458 |
| \$48.00 | 2,034 | 1,906 | 1,830 | 1,728 | 1,646 | 1,460 | 1,237 | 980 | 717 | 467 |
| \$49.00 | 2,075 | 1,945 | 1,867 | 1,763 | 1,680 | 1,489 | 1,262 | 1,000 | 732 | 477 |
| \$50.00 | 2,116 | 1,983 | 1,904 | 1,798 | 1,713 | 1,519 | 1,287 | 1,020 | 746 | 486 |
| \$51.00 | 2,157 | 2,022 | 1,940 | 1,833 | 1,746 | 1,548 | 1,312 | 1,040 | 761 | 496 |
| \$52.00 | 2,198 | 2,060 | 1,977 | 1,868 | 1,779 | 1,578 | 1,337 | 1,060 | 775 | 505 |
| \$53.00 | 2,239 | 2,099 | 2,014 | 1,902 | 1,813 | 1,607 | 1,362 | 1,079 | 790 | 515 |
| \$54.00 | 2,280 | 2,137 | 2,051 | 1,937 | 1,846 | 1,637 | 1,386 | 1,099 | 804 | 524 |
| \$55.00 | 2,321 | 2,176 | 2,088 | 1,972 | 1,879 | 1,666 | 1,411 | 1,119 | 819 | 534 |
| \$56.00 | 2,363 | 2,214 | 2,125 | 2,007 | 1,913 | 1,696 | 1,436 | 1,139 | 833 | 543 |
| \$57.00 | 2,404 | 2,253 | 2,162 | 2,042 | 1,946 | 1,725 | 1,461 | 1,159 | 848 | 552 |
| \$58.00 | 2,445 | 2,291 | 2,199 | 2,077 | 1,979 | 1,755 | 1,486 | 1,179 | 862 | 562 |
| \$59.00 | 2,486 | 2,330 | 2,236 | 2,112 | 2,012 | 1,784 | 1,511 | 1,198 | 877 | 571 |
| \$60.00 | 2,527 | 2,369 | 2,273 | 2,147 | 2,046 | 1,814 | 1,536 | 1,218 | 891 | 581 |

NOTE: For members under age 18, PUFL rates are based on your Unit's annual senior dues amount.

**AMERICAN
LEGION
AUXILIARY**

2025: RECRUIT/REJOIN 10

Members who recruit and/or rejoin 10 junior or senior Auxiliary members for the 2025 membership year. Rejoins must not have paid membership dues since 2021 or earlier.

One entry per recruiter.

Certified forms must be received at ALA National Headquarters by June 6, 2025.

Please send this form to your department headquarters office no later than one week prior to the deadlines.

New members must be paid in ALAMIS by June 1, 2025.

ENTRY/CERTIFICATION FORM

Please type or print legibly and fill out the form completely. Incomplete forms may not be processed.

Recruiter's Name: _____ Member ID#: _____
 Recruiter's Department: _____ Unit #: _____ Email: _____
 Recruiter's Address: _____

| <u>Names of <i>New/Rejoined</i> Members</u> | <u>Member ID#</u> | <u>Names of <i>New/Rejoined</i> Members</u> | <u>Member ID#</u> |
|---|-------------------|---|-------------------|
| 1. _____ | _____ | 6. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ | 7. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ | 8. _____ | _____ |
| 4. _____ | _____ | 9. _____ | _____ |
| 5. _____ | _____ | 10. _____ | _____ |

Certified by Department Secretary: DATE: _____
 Department Secretary
 Printed Name: _____ Dept: _____
 Dept Secretary Signature (required): _____
 *I certify that **all 10 members** are new or rejoined into the 2025 year.
 *I've provided or verified member ID numbers and that the form is filled out legibly and completely.
DO NOT SEND INCOMPLETE FORMS or more than 1 form per recruiter.

Units: Send form to your department secretary.
Departments:
 Please either scan and email to:
membership@ALAforVeterans.org
 (Subject line: Recruit 10)
 Or
 Fax: (317) 569-4502 (Attn: Membership)
 *Must be received at NHQ no later than midnight June 6, 2025.

Each recruiter will receive a special gift selected by the 2025 National Membership Committee Chairman.
One award per recruiter.



August 2024
American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Arizona
MUSIC REPORT 2024-2025

Greetings Musicophiles (“music lovers”),

Please continue to promote music within your Unit and Post. Let’s get the love of music out to everyone. Use your imagination and spread the love of music and our Country. Together, we’ve got the music in us!. Turn other people on to music. Here’s a suggestion to use your talents as a fundraiser. This could add to your President’s Special Project.

Please continue to encourage your members and Post to participate in “The American Legion Family Choir”. The more voices participating the better we sound. Please remember to bring a “Legion” polo and dark pants for the “Memorial Service”. Seriously, I’m hoping to find a strong male voice to feature in a special Elvis song in the near future, Please encourage your members to participate in “The American Legion Family Choir”.

Convention was a success and we have a new Department President. I’m looking forward to working with her. I’m sure she will have some great ideas! Her special project is “Paws”. Fall Conference is approaching. I’m looking forward to seeing you there!

“Music is the sound track of your life.”

Dick Clark

With a song in your heart.
For God and Country,

Alma Mattingly, Department Music Chairman

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AUGUST 2024 POPPY

This is the start of a new year, but your reporting should be from the last report sent in to qualify for the new year's awards, so a gap does not exist of what your Unit is actually accomplishing.

Just to recap the last year's winners and hopefully to give incentive to all Units to participate, the following results are published here for review.

Marie Townshend Plaque winner – [Unit 86](#)
Runner Up – [Unit 91](#)

Marie Cooney Memorial Plaque winner – [Unit 86](#)
Runner up – [Unit 62](#)

Nita Kimball Community Poppy Awareness Award winner – [NO ENTRIES](#)
Little Miss Poppy Winner – [NO ENTRIES](#)

Patriotic Poppy Decoration Plaque winner – [Unit 35](#)

Runner Up – [Unit 44](#)



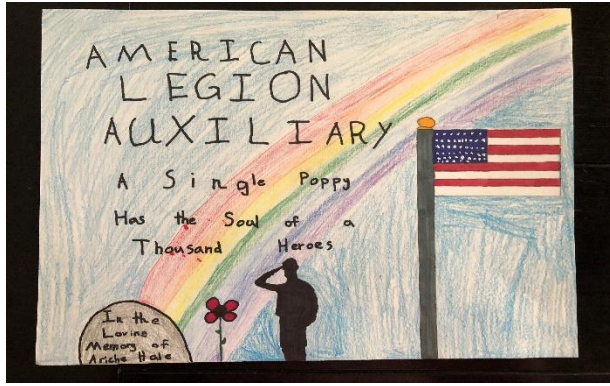
[Honorable Mention to Junior from Unit 35](#)



Poster Contest Winner – [Unit 86](#)
Class I



Class II



Special Hat contest winners

Job Specific winner – No entries

Elegant winner – Unit 91



Bling winner – Unit 86

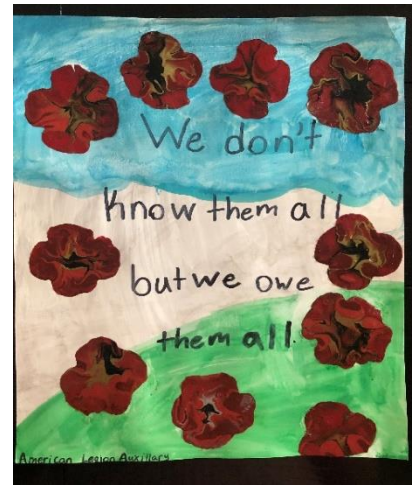


Silly/Funny winner
Unit 86



2nd – Unit 65
3rd – Unit 65

Class III



2nd – Unit 78



The end-of-year report form is on the website, and a power-point of the entire Poppy Program is also there for review.

Special dates for August and September to promote the use of Poppies

- August 4 – Coast Guard Birthday
- August 7 – Purple Heart Day
- August 29 – Marine Forces Reserve Birthday
- August 29 – Tribute to the Afghanistan fallen 13
- September 11 – Patriot Day Remember the Heroes
- September 18 – Air Force Birthday
- September 20 – MIA/POW Day
- September 29 – Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day

Good luck on working this program

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AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

POPPY ORDER FORM FOR 2025 POPPIES

Order deadline is September 30, 2024

NO EXCEPTIONS OR LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED

THIS FORM MUST BE USED TO ORDER POPPIES

Cost of poppies are \$15.00 per hundred and must be ordered in increments of 100

Date poppies needed _____ Unit number _____

Name of person to receive poppies _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip code _____ Phone _____

Number of poppies _____ Amount enclosed _____

NOTE: If requesting poppies prior to Fall Conference and poppies need to be mailed, there is a charge for postage of \$19.00 for 400 and under or \$25.00 for orders over 400.

Make check payable to American Legion Auxiliary Dept. of AZ and mail order form and check to: ALA Dept. of AZ

4701 N. 19th Ave., Ste. 100

Phoenix, AZ 85015

Your Unit must order at least 100 poppies by the deadline to be in competition for any Department awards at the end of the year.

Veteran Affairs & Rehabilitation (VA&R)

August 2024

Chairman: Marge Christianson; 763-234-9852; alaunit62az@gmail.com

Vice Chairman, Service to Veterans: Sara Decker; 480-580-3269; saradeckeraz@gmail.com

Veterans Creative Arts Overall Chairman: Anita Ritter; 602-679-1785; ritmar@cox.net

Introducing Arizona's VA&R Teams

TEAM TUCSON

Kathy Szakonyi, Veteran Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) Representative

Dawn Davidson, VAMC Deputy

Dawn Davidson, VAMC Veterans Creative Arts Festival

Carla Neill, VAMC Gift Shop

Unit VAMC designation 7, 8, 9, 11, 16, 19, 24, 28, 32, 36, 45, 51, 52, 54, 56, 59, 66, 68, 73, 95, 97, 109, 125, 129, 131,
132, 133, 141

Nancy Morrow, State Veterans Home

TEAM PRESCOTT

Lynn Sanford, Veteran Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) Representative

Trish Aljets, VAMC Deputy

Sally Fine, VAMC Veterans Creative Arts Festival

Trish Aljets, VAMC Gift Shop

Unit VAMC designation: 3, 4, 6, 12, 13, 14, 22, 25, 30, 37, 40, 42, 46, 57, 62, 69, 78, 79, 81, 86, 87, 88, 90, 93, 103, 108,
123, 135, 136, 140

TEAM PHOENIX

Gloria Torres, Veteran Affairs Medical Center Representative

OPEN, VAMC Deputy

Margaret Ellis, VAMC Veterans Creative Arts Festival

Christine Paulson, VAMC Gift Shop

Unit VAMC designation: 1, 2, 5, 26, 27, 29, 34, 35, 39, 41, 44, 53, 58, 61, 64, 84, 91, 105, 107, 114, 115, 117,
124, 134, 138, 145

Cat Ludwick, State Veterans Home

TEAM YUMA

Winnie Moir, State Veterans Home

TEAM FLAGSTAFF

OPEN, soon to open!!! State Veterans Home

UNIT TREASURERS: PLEASE SEND IN YOUR BUDGETED CONTRIBUTIONS EARLY!

Be sure to designate which location and to which program your donation applies.

Your local Chairman rely on this funding to plan their year's efforts and priorities. THANK YOU!!!!

UNIT ASSIGNMENTS TO ARIZONA VA MEDICAL CENTERS 2024-2025

CARL T. HAYDEN VA MEDICAL CENTER, PHOENIX

| | | | |
|----|----------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | Luke-Greenway, Phoenix | 61 | Crandall-Palmer, Avondale |
| 2 | William Bloys, Tempe | 64 | Ahwatukee, Phoenix |
| 5 | Southern Meadows, Phoenix | 65 | Travis L Williams, Phoenix |
| 26 | Pablo J Cortez, Mesa | 84 | Ira H. Hays, Sacaton |
| 27 | Apache, Apache Junction | 91 | Wayne V. McMartin, Chandler |
| 29 | Earl E. Mitchell, Glendale | 105 | Christopher J Lapka, Phoenix |
| 34 | Frank W. Wright | 107 | Irving B. Selmer, Phoenix |
| 35 | Mathew B. Juan, Chandler | 114 | Bushmasters, Salt River |
| 39 | Merrill-Mitchell, Gilbert | 115 | Daniel Guajardo Fernandez, Glendale |
| 41 | Soza/Martinez, Phoenix | 117 | Pat Tillman, Phoenix |
| 44 | Sipe-Peterson, Scottsdale | 124 | Corad Francisco Bilducia, Guadalupe |
| 53 | Hazelton-Butler, Buckeye | 134 | Laveen |
| 58 | Fountain Hills | 138 | James Witkowski, Tempe |
| | | 145 | Ernest C. Yount, Peoria |

SOUTHERN ARIZONA VA HEALTH CENTER, TUCSON

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|----|--------------------------------|-----|------------------------------|
| 7 | Morgan McDermontt, Tucson | 54 | William David Hood, Coolidge |
| 8 | Fred A. Humphreys, Casa Grande | 56 | Floyd G. Jefferson, Yuma |
| 9 | McClellan-Parson, Florence | 59 | Cocio-Estrada, Tucson |
| 11 | Fred Hilburn, Douglas | 66 | Green Valley |
| 16 | L.A. Engle, Jr., Bisbee | 68 | Sahuaro, Tucson |
| 19 | H.H. Donkersley, Yuma | 73 | Casas Adobes, Tucson |
| 24 | Roy Fourr, Tombstone | 95 | Lopez-Hernandes, Solomon |
| 28 | Lloyd C. Hill, Clifton | 97 | SanTan Valley |
| 32 | Swift-Murphy, Safford | 109 | McCulloch-Wagner, Corona |
| 36 | John P. Burns, Tucson | 125 | Yoeme |
| 45 | Vicente Manzo, Benson | 129 | Duane Ellsworth, Queen Creek |
| 51 | Blackwater | 131 | Madera, Green Valley |
| 52 | Bill Carmichael, Sierra Vista | 132 | Oro Valley, Tucson |
| | | 133 | Maricopa, Maricopa |
| | | 141 | Cochise Stronghold, Pearce |

NORTHERN ARIZONA VA HEALTH CENTER, PRESCOTT

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| 3 | Mark A. Moore, Flagstaff | 69 | Tonto Rim, Payson |
| 4 | Henry Berry, Globe | 78 | Fred "Yam" Cavalliere, Humbolt |
| 6 | Ernest A. Love, Prescott | 79 | Bill Taylor, Yarnell |
| 12 | Kellis-Draper, Wickenburg | 81 | Robert A. Eckert, Lake Havasu City |
| 13 | Cordova, Williams | 86 | John D Wibby, Overgaard-Heber |
| 14 | Swaskegame, Kingman | 87 | Mohave Valley, Bullhead City |
| 22 | Wally Fernandez, Golden Valley | 88 | Dolan Springs |
| 25 | Verde Valley, Cottonwood | 90 | Black Canyon City |
| 30 | John H. Slaughter, Springerville | 93 | David C. Johnson, Camp Verde |
| 37 | Navajo, Holbrook | 103 | Meadview |
| 40 | Bobby Bisjak, Chino Valley | 108 | Gary Streeter, Prescott Valley |
| 42 | John Ivens, Grand Canyon | 123 | Forrest C. Longwell, Seligman |
| 46 | Chic Chisom, Bouse | 135 | Cornville |
| 57 | Robert Fulton, AshFork | 136 | Yucca |
| 62 | John J, Morris, Peoria | 140 | Prescott Valley |

Needs List

VA Center for Development & Civic Engagement
 Northern Arizona VA Health Care System
 500 HWY 89 North
 Prescott, AZ 86303
 928-776-6013

Thank you for your interest in supporting the Veterans served by the Northern AZ VA Health Care System. All donations should be brought to Voluntary Service in Building 15, room 106. Please call 928-776-6013 to determine if the items you wish to donate are still needed prior to purchase. All items should be new unless otherwise noted. Monetary donations are also accepted so that Voluntary Service can purchase these items as the need presents itself.

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| <p><u>PERSONAL CARE ITEMS</u> Laundry Detergent - Powder Comb/Brushes Forever Stamps 3-in-1 Body Wash</p> | <p><u>CLOTHES (New Only)</u> Jeans (Sizes: 34/30, 34/32/ 34/34) Men's Short sleeve shirts Men's shoes all sizes (Tie and Velcro) Hats Belts Light rain jackets - Men's Collared Shirts – Men's Black, oil resistant/slip resistant shoes</p> |
| <p><u>OTHER PROGRAMS</u> Large Print Word Search Books Large Print Novel Squishy squeeze stress balls Reading glasses Sunglasses</p> | <p><u>RECREATION THERAPY</u> Serves Veterans residing in the Community Living Center (nursing home) and the Domiciliary. Fishing reels – closed Zebco 33s Potting Soil and Pots Models – Wooden or Plastic-cars, planes, craft kits Craft Supplies (Hobby Lobby, Michaels, Tandy or Gift Cards) Gift Cards Groceries – Frye's, Safeway Gift Cards for Harkins movie theater Backpacks- day packs for hiking program</p> |
| <p><u>HOMELESS VETERANS PROGRAM</u> Food vouchers (Gift Certificates \$10-\$20 grocery store or fast food restaurant) Rain ponchos or slickers Backpacks Flashlights or headlamps Umbrellas Tents Sleeping Bags Gas gift cards</p> | |

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| <p><u>FOOD/DRINK</u> Healthy packaged snacks (nuts, bars, etc.) Cases of bottled water, Coffee, creamer, sugar, stir sticks & cups for the Drop-In Center Non-perishable foods (snacks-fit in a backpack) Regular and Decaf Coffee Grounds</p> | <p><u>PROJECTS & OTHER NEEDS</u> Donations to support: Wheelchairs for outpatient clinics; New benches and picnic tables across campus; Welcome station at main entrance; Blankets for Yoga classes; Healing Gardens ; New Ramada area with built in BBQ.</p> |
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FUNDS: Funds are needed to support a variety of ongoing programs. These programs have a direct impact on the quality of life for residential Veterans and allow us to provide a more positive experience for Veterans attending our outpatient clinics. Checks should be made payable to "Northern AZ VA HCS" and sent to Voluntary Service at 500 HWY 89 North in Prescott, AZ 86303. Please include a note that tells us how the funds should be used and to whom we should send the acknowledgment.

| <u>GPF #</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>COMMENTS</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| <u>9006</u> | <u>Domiciliary</u> | <u>Support daily needs for personal care or program supplies</u> |
| <u>9007</u> | <u>General Use</u> | <u>General benefit of patients and the facility</u> |
| <u>9013</u> | <u>Recreation Therapy</u> | <u>Activity on and off station, decorations, events, refreshments, Equine Therapy, movie theater, batting cages, bowling, golf</u> |
| <u>9015</u> | <u>Social Work</u> | <u>Emergent needs of in and out patients, transportation, gift certificates, canteen books</u> |
| <u>9017</u> | <u>Greenhouse</u> | <u>Pots, soil, tools, plants, bulbs, etc to support the greenhouse and gardens.</u> |
| <u>9019</u> | <u>Holiday Account</u> | <u>Patient gifts, holiday parties, decorations</u> |
| <u>9035</u> | <u>National Games</u> | <u>Wheelchair Games, Golden Age Games, Winter Sports Clinic, Summer Sports Clinic, Tee Up for the Troops</u> |
| <u>9042</u> | <u>Guest Services</u> | <u>Internet for patients, personal care items, clothing room</u> |
| <u>9044</u> | <u>Women Veterans</u> | <u>Annual workshop & recognition, gender specific clothing & personal care items, etc.</u> |
| <u>9064</u> | <u>Creative Arts Festival</u> | <u>Veteran Travel to the festival, supplies for the local program, shipping art to national, etc.</u> |
| <u>9030</u> | <u>Chaplain</u> | <u>Support ongoing needs for chapel, supplies</u> |
| <u>9070</u> | <u>Facility Beautification</u> | <u>Standardize benches across campus (\$30,000 project); healing gardens, update the B107 monument area, other projects TBD.</u> |

American Legion Auxiliary VA&R REPORT
TUCSON VA MEDICAL CENTER
7-31-24

We are working very hard with the Recreation therapists to get our traditional events back up and running. We have wonderful volunteers for the second Saturday for Bingo at the Community Living Center but can use more help.

Ward W2 (Dementia Ward) in Building 60 is currently seeking twin size blankets for their patients (this is an ongoing need). They request that the blankets be different colors/patterns so each patient will recognize their personal blanket.

Southwestern Blind Rehabilitation Center (SWBRC) is continuing going on outings where they are invited. They would like to request support for outings which are not direct donations such as going to the movies, Pima Air & Space Museum, Botanical Garden, etc. These outings must be financed by donations of the purchase of tickets directly by the sponsor. They currently have a population of twenty.

Patriot Pantry is up and running at is currently supporting 40 to 50 Veterans with food insecurities. The current monthly cost for this program is estimated at \$1,500. VA funds can now be used to purchase the food and different donors are shopping and delivering the items to SAVAHCS. There is also a Patriot Pantry program at the Sierra Vista CBOC. generous donation.

The grand total of monetary donations for the American Legion Auxiliary for May 1, 2024 to July 31, 2024 is \$5,251. Thank you Unit 131 and Unit 136 for your generous donations to support our programs.

The grand total of material and activity donations for the American Legion Auxiliary for May 1, 2024 to July 31, 2024 is \$8,274.40. Thank you Unit 24, Unit 66, Unit 131 and Unit 73 for your generous donations to support our programs.

Eight registered hospital volunteers donated time which was credited to the American Legion Auxiliary. The grand total of registered volunteer hours May 1, 2024 to July 31, 2024 is 307. Twelve occasional volunteers have contributed 56.5 hours as of July 31, 2024. The Center for Development and Civic Engagement (CDCE formerly Voluntary Service) is bringing back many volunteers

This chairman has volunteered 44 hours and logged 420 miles this year in service to the Tucson VA Medical Center as of July 31, 2024. This chairman has now logged over 4,700 hours in service to SAVAHCS. This chairman was privileged to present the honorary check to the directorship of SAVAHCS in the amount of \$2,199,900 representing value of volunteer hours and donation this past fiscal year. This chairman finished a three year term on the VAVS Executive Committee. This chairman has attended every Executive Committee meeting and every VAVS meeting this year. This chairman is working with the Homeless Program to ensure that our Homeless Veterans and those in Transitional Housing have the food and beverages that they need. This chairman is actively supporting the Patriot Pantry at SAVAHCS. This chairman is working with the Recreation departments to purchase needed supplies for the National Veterans Creative Arts Program and other recreational activities. NVCA. Festival will be held August 12 through August 15th with the first place winners going to Tucson Mall for display for a month. ALA purchased steel mesh screens for displaying entries. Annual Joint Review was completed November 28, 2023. VAVS Committee voted to support the Patriot Pantry, Building 95 Recreation and Fisher House with donations on July 31, 2024. Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Szakonyi, VAVS Representative



I hope you are all having a great summer. I want to thank the new incoming president Stacey for giving me another term to chair the Arizona State Veterans Home Tucson. My heart belongs at the Veterans Home. We have kicked off this new term with a bang. We had a nice turn out for the June's birthday party. Unit 66 from Green Valley brought the cupcakes and ice creams. Dee the new district 3 president and her husband Eric along with my self and my co chair Dawn all served the cupcakes and ice creams. We listened to music and laughed . For July birthdays we have unit 66 who stepped up again to help us out.

On July 7th the VFW 10015 along with William D. Aviles Sahuaro post 68 did a BBQ cook out for the veterans at the Arizona State Veterans Home Tucson. There was hamburgers and cheese burgers and hot dogs and chips and potato salad. We also had two Sons of the American Legion from squadron 68 there helping out. Big surprise was the newly elected Arizona State commander came out . He served some cupcakes and talked to the veterans at the home. It was a great afternoon. All who came out did a fantastic job.

We talked to Sam the one in charge for the activities at the home . I brought up we would like to get the fall carnival back again. We had so much fun in the past with it. Sam informed me it will cost \$2,000.00 a year to put this on. Currently we are looking for ideas to raise money for it . It won't be done for this year. We are aiming for fall of 2025. If you have any ideas for fundraising or would like to donate towards it please contact Nancy Morrow. Also we are looking for people to fill spots for birthday parties from January 2025 to end of year. If your unit or post or riders or S.A.L would like to host get a hold of Nancy Morrow or Dawn Davidson. Dawn and my self look forward to working with districts 2,3,4, and 5 . Have a great rest of your summer.

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Dawn Davidson Co-Chairman
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THERE IS NO I IN TEAM- SERVICE TO VETERANS NOT TO SELF

Banking Reports

Banking Account _____

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Attach copies of receipts

Return prior to 1st of every month to

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