

# Hands to Help, Paws to Save

**October 2024**

**DEPARTMENT FALL CONFERENCE:** November 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Registration forms and Luncheon sign up is on the Department Website. **RETURN BY OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup>** for Registration and October 22<sup>nd</sup> for the Luncheon

The link to reserve a room will be coming out soon. (after September 4<sup>th</sup>) Watch Ring Your Bell, the Department website and the Legion website. Book early as the rooms sell out fast. The overflow hotel is the Fairfield 520-202-4000 mention the American Legion Rate for pricing.

**FLAGSTAFF STATE VETERANS HOME:** They are shooting for an October 29<sup>th</sup> soft opening. They have a wish list, that will be in this bulletin/website. They are looking for volunteers to help with activities, monthly birthday parties etc. Call the Dept. HQ for more information. We are also looking for a chairman, so if you are up Nort and Interested please let us know.

**PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT:** President Stacey's project this year is P.A.W.S.S. (Pup's and Warriors Side by Side) Christine Rodriguez from Unit 117 is the PSP Chairman. You can reach her at, [Chrisrodz25@gmail.com](mailto:Chrisrodz25@gmail.com) if you want her to visit your Unit or District, or to get more information.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Membership is everyone's job. Thank you to EVERYONE who renewed, recruited or rejoined members. 2025 membership renewals, rejoins and new members can be sent to the Department. Don't hold on to membership, please send in weekly.

**RENEW MEMBERSHIP BY PHONE or ONLINE:** Call National Headquarters at 317-569-4570 with your member ID and debit or credit card ready or [alaforveterans.org](http://alaforveterans.org)

**MANDATES:** The 2025 mandates were in the September bulletin and are posted on the website. Please pay your mandates sooner than later. There were several Units who did not pay their mandates 30 days before the Department Convention; therefore, they lost their voting rights at Convention. If you have any questions regarding Mandates, contact the Department Office.

**2025 DIRECTORY:** Is posted on the website, If your Unit or District has not sent in your 2024-2025 officers' names and contact information, please do so immediately.

**POPPY:** Believe it or not, it's time to order poppies again. The Poppy order form is in the packet and can be found on the Department website. The deadline is September 30.

**Unit Goals:** 2025 Unit Goals are in the new 2025 membership report. Good luck to all Units in achieving 100% for President Stacey.

The Office is open, and we are here to help. Office hours are Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 4p.m. Evenings by appointment. (please don't be afraid to ask).

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# Americanism October 2024



Are you excited, I mean Halloween is almost here and fall weather is in the air...if you live in Northern Arizona that is! National Convention was a blast and I did learn some new ideas for the Americanism program from other Units around the country. I just wrapped up my 1st session with the new National Americanism Chair and the other department chairman from all over the USA and a challenge has been made, so lets be #1 in the Western Division!!

To kick off this new year, I have created a new email address (see below) and will pass this one to the next Americanism Chair. I look forward to seeing ya all post how you are promoting Americanism in your Units. Please send me pics and a message to let me know what unit you belong too, I don't always check ALA ring your bell so please share with me!

We all know that at this time we need to pray for our country and those that serve at home and overseas. There has been a lot happening in these past few weeks that can be overwhelming. Hang tight, and persevere, there is always a light near, or you can be the light or BE THE ONE for someone!

**STAR-SPANGLED KIDS KITS  
1ST - AMERICANISM CHALLENGE**

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 The Northwestern Division?  
 The Southern Division?  
 The Western Division?

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 "So Who Will It Be?"*



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**

Proud to announce the new Americanism Essay Theme.

**"What does America the Beautiful mean to me (regarding veterans and our military)?"**

2024 - 2025 Americanism Team  
 Christine, Julia, Mary, Bonnie, Yicki, Bonita, Dorothy

**"LEADING THE WAY"**

Essays  
Due  
March 1st



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**FALL CONFERENCE**

Fall Conference, Flag practice and set up will be held at 7pm Friday evening.

We will process JUST the District and Unit flags only (no American Flag)

Be ready to go for the morning procession at 7:30am. Please bring your flag!!!



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**AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST  
2025 Cover Sheet**

Each year, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) sponsors an Americanism Essay Contest for students in grades 3-12, including students with special needs. Grade levels are divided into six classes. One award in each of the six classes will be presented in each division. Winners will receive \$50 and a \$50 donation in the student's name will be made to the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship fund.

**Essay Title:** *"What does America the Beautiful mean to me (regarding veterans and our military)?"*

**Essay Classes:**

Class	Grade Level	Word Requirement*
I	3 and 4	150-250
II	5 and 6	250-300
III	7 and 8	350-400
IV	9 and 10	450-500
V	11 and 12	450-500
VI	Students with special needs	Word count should correspond with student's grade level.

**THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL.**

**Essay Checklist:**

- Class competing in \_\_\_\_\_
- Sponsoring ALA unit \_\_\_\_\_
- Typed or neatly written essay conforming to the word requirement for class
- Completed essay coversheet as first page of essay
- Word count of essay \_\_\_\_\_
- Due date for student to return to ALA unit \_\_\_\_\_

**To Be Completed by the Student/Parent:**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street, City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name and Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Auxiliary Use Only (Must be completed for entry to be considered.):**

Sponsoring Unit Name/Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Unit Americanism Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit winner due to Department on: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Department Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

*Department winner due to National Americanism Division Chairman by April 15, 2025*



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*Do not forget to include your numbers in your year-end report to your Division Americanism Chairman.*

## Auxiliary Emergency Fund

As we head into October,  
The ghouls and goblins are about. Please be aware of  
the pumpkins and candles that may cause house hold  
fires.

Make sure when you take the little ones out for fun to  
have on reflective clothing and a bright light to show  
your way in the dark.

Check the goodies that they receive for any possibility  
of being tampered with.

Cooler Weather is coming, make sure all chimneys are  
cleaned so there will be no house fires.

Any questions please contact  
Katherine Pittman @ [ibkate4u@yahoo.com](mailto:ibkate4u@yahoo.com)  
Thank you and have a wonderful october



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

**AUXILIARY EMERGENCY FUND**  
**Contribution Form**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

*Please Type or Print*

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Department of: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT INFORMATION**

**Payment Type:**

Check

**Check Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Make check payable to: American Legion Auxiliary, National  
and indicate "AEF" in check memo*

Credit Card

**Type:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name on Card:** \_\_\_\_\_

*MasterCard or Visa ONLY*

**CREDIT CARD NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EXP. DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DONATION AMT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND THIS FORM TO:**

American Legion Auxiliary  
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Indianapolis, IN 46268  
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**QUESTIONS:**

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or email: [aef@alaforveterans.org](mailto:aef@alaforveterans.org)





**Chaplain Report October 2024  
October is Education Month.**

Greetings Members,

As I am writing this, I am reflecting on the devastating events that will forever be remembered in our history as a country 23 years ago. From the lyrics of Alan Jackson's famous song, "Where were you when the world stopped turning?"

Everyone has some way that 9/11 impacted their lives. Where were you? What did you do? Reflect on yours. For me, fortunately is another normal 9/11 at work. I have worked every single 9/11 since then. Part of my career field. Some have been good; some have been bad. Some I can't talk about. But I have always taken time to reflect and remember at some quiet point in my day. NEVER FORGET 9/11/2001; When the world stopped turning.

These last two days have been a whirlwind of emotions.

Yesterday, we had the honor of the American Legion Family to honor, remember and celebrate the life of one of our very own, Past Department President Josephine Herrera, aka "Josie".

Josie was Department President from 2015-2016, from Tony F. Soza-Ray Martinez Unit 41 in Phoenix, AZ. Josie was an Arizona native and dedicated her life to helping veterans in her community. Her and her siblings grew up together off 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, not too far from the Post and were fixtures there growing up helping veterans.

Yes, there was lots of tears, and lots of acclamations of joy. Josie would have preferred the acclamations of joy, over the tears. Like her granddaughter Lexi stated, "Grandma finally beat this, and she is upstairs, ringing that bell."

It was an honor to know her, and for her to be a part of my life and journey. The memories I have of her, and her smile and kindness will never weather.

If you knew Josie, please take the time to reflect on your experiences you had with her too.

**Please keep the following in your hearts and prayers in this time of need: The family of Linda Hatleli-Short, and Unit 35 Family.**

Please pray in your own way: Heavenly Father, thank you for unity, for victory, and for helping me serve in a way that not only honors You, but also honors the sacrifices made by so many who have given their lives for the greater good of our nation. United We Stand. Amen.

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



## Education October 2024



Everyone is well into the school year. Each month I will focus on one of the areas mentioned in the August newsletter. This month: **Enhance respect for the sacrifices of our military heroes among school children by scheduling Veterans in Community Schools programs at local schools.**

Information on the Veterans in Community Schools program is available in the publications, *Veterans in the Classroom: History in the First Person*, on the Legion's website at [Veterans in the classroom: an educational activity of The American Legion | Digital Archive](#) and [Veterans in the classroom: history in the first person | Digital Archive \(legion.org\)](#). They contain helpful hints on starting this program in your area.

- Collaborate with your local American Legion post to present this program in your schools.
- Contact your local school teachers to see if they would be interested in hosting a Veterans in the Classroom event.
- Provide information to the teacher hosting your program about the challenges facing today's military families.
- The teacher can introduce the topic before your unit's presentation. It may be helpful to reference the article that was published in the Legion's magazine at <https://www.legion.org/magazine/162500/hardest-year> .
- Promote your Veterans in the Classroom event through local media and on your own social media accounts.
- Volunteer to provide transportation to and from the school for the veteran speaking in the classroom.
- Wear your American Legion Auxiliary apparel when you visit classrooms.

"The American Legion believes that our military veterans are living textbooks of American History. Their accounts of experiences in a uniform of the United States Armed Forces should be preserved and shared with others, especially with students in America's schools." (American Legion Publication No. 23-015, Rev. 1-2012)

I'm looking forward to hearing about the creative ways in which your Units and Members promote the Education Program.

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

*Julie Vietri*

Education Chairman  
Department of Arizona  
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480-495-1558

**Greetings ALA Arizona!**

**Are you available to share finances with your Unit? Just, who is responsible, in case your Treasurer resigns, falls ill, or goes on a long trip? Unit Presidents need to keep a close relationship with all officers, and yes, treasurers, compliance is the key with your Financial Requirements.**

**Do take time to organize your Finances:**

- **Review your program expenses, general expenses, expected income to set up a workable budget for 2024-2025**
- **A Budget Committee can finalize a Budget for next year.**
- **Set up an Audit Committee, and get your treasurer there as a source for answering questions. Complete the Audit.**
- **See if your 990 has been filed with IRS. Do not forget to report to the Arizona Corporation Commission.**

**Are you a new Unit?**

- **Sign on to IRS.gov, go to the charities and non-profits section and click on requests for an EIN.**
- **Once your EIN is assigned you need to send an Inclusion letter to the National organization. ALA National will send you this all important letter. Please keep a copy for your files.**
- **Then go to ACC.gov and register.**

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**Members by Virtue of Office: Stacey Mayberry, President, NEC, Rose Ficklin, Sec/Tres. (no vote)**

# ARIZONA GIRLS STATE ANNOUNCES RECEIPT OF THEIR VERY FIRST FOUNDATION GRANT

The American Legion Auxiliary Arizona Girls State Foundation is pleased to have been selected to receive a \$5000.00 donation from Cox Charities. This marks the 28th year that Cox employees, through Cox Charities, have raised funds to help the communities in which they live and work. Since 1996, Cox Arizona employees have raised over \$10.5 million in grants for local Arizona nonprofits.

This gift is part of \$698,500 in statewide donations given to 125 local nonprofits this year, thanks to the generosity of 3,100 Cox employees in Arizona. Thank you to grant writer Department Second Vice President Marge Christianson.

(top picture) Immediate Past Department President Rose Ficklin holding the "big check". Thank you to Rose for having Girls State as her special project in 2023-2024.

(bottom picture) 2024 Cox Charities Grant Recipients along with Cox employees at the Cox Charities Grant Recipient celebration held on Wed., September 18, 2024.



## Historian Report October 2024

### By Lynda Griffin – AZ Department Historian

**Attention all District, and Units Presidents, Secretaries and Historian – Who need a copy of your meeting minutes? Copies of your meeting minutes are to be sent to the Department Secretary Rose Ficklin at [secretary@aladepaz.org](mailto:secretary@aladepaz.org) and to the Department Historian, at [Lynda4ala@azdot.gov](mailto:Lynda4ala@azdot.gov).**

I attended the 103<sup>rd</sup> ALA National Convention this year in New Orleans and I wanted to share a little History about the ALA and New Orleans Louisiana. President Lisa Williamson lead us into the 103<sup>rd</sup> ALA National Convention let us remember Burdick's words and renew the vow to the Colors and to everything for which they stand. Let us come together and work as one to accomplish our goals. It's the least we can do.

This year, the conventions was held in New Orleans. It is the sixth time the Legion Family has congregated in the Big Easy for these events. The first was in 1922. It was the second convention for the Auxiliary, and the scars of the Great War were still present, still very real, and very different from any previous war. The government wasn't prepared for the servicemembers' quick return, and medical officials had never seen the types of injuries incurred previously. And — as in any war — loved ones were left behind by those who died. In other words, there was no support system.

The minutes from the 1922 meetings held in New Orleans provide a clearer picture of the conditions facing the Auxiliary created by the Great War and the work not only accomplished thus far, but required in the coming years. It was massive. And our response was impressive. However, there were still numerous concerns, which were different in each state. Bringing the units and departments to best meet the conditions together was imperative. And in those many pages of transcribed minutes, there appears such a moment when those crucial words were spoken by a woman who understood the meaning of *Service Not Self*.

She served with the Salvation Army a good part of her life, and, with her husband, stayed very close to the front lines in France during World War I, making doughnuts, pies, and coffee, offering words of wisdom and comfort, along with prayer to those who wanted them. After the war, she gifted her experience, knowledge, and talents to the Auxiliary, becoming our first national chaplain, serving three consecutive years. Her name was Samantha Minerva "Ma" Burdick.

It was the morning of the convention's second day when the Colors were presented, a gift from the 1922 National Executive Committee. And with these words, National Chaplain Burdick presented them: *Madam President: This is one of the greatest privileges I have ever had, to present to you and these ladies, these flags. I feel more than I can say this morning. I stand beside Old Glory, which is really Old Glory, the beautiful flag of our country that our boys fought for, and I feel we can hardly give it honor enough. Then I stand here with our old organization banner which stands for so much. It stands for our boys who did not come back; it stands for our boys who are here; it stands for we mothers, wives, sisters and sweethearts.*

*And I am quite sure that every one of us will pledge ourselves this morning to God to stand by these two flags.*

*I esteem it a great privilege, Madam President, to present your organization with these banners, and I feel we cannot say enough in honor of them, and the care that we shall give them, and the manner in which we shall work under the two flags, as long as God lendeth us breath. I feel that I cannot express myself this morning. This is very, very close to me because I have loved your boys and I love them yet.*

Honor them. Care for them. Work under them. Inspiring words that may necessitate a re-examination as to how we look upon the Colors, as it's too easy to take things for granted when exposure to those things is frequent.

I only had two members in the whole state answer all the eight questions correctly. Department President Patricia Lugo was the winner. I will see you at Fall Conference with your gift.

### **ALA Legislative Program- "What" & "Why"**

Margaret Mead once stated "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

The American Legion Auxiliary is that group of citizens whose involvement in the Legislative program which provides information and assistance to American Legion Auxiliary members to advocate for the Legion's legislative agenda. Awareness of The American Legion's priorities and call-to-action alerts prepares the Auxiliary to communicate with representatives on impending legislature. Using knowledge to persuade elected officials to achieve The American Legion's priorities is often the process of changing or reforming attitudes toward the needed legislature.

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### **ALA Legislative**

### **Share Your Story**

**Be sure to "JOIN" us on Facebook.** Help spread the word about your service @ ALA Legislative. This is a closed group, so you must request permission to join. You then must answer all questions to be approved:

**Year-End Reports-** Narrative report to Division Legislative Chairman by May 15, 2025, plus copy to National Legislative Chairman.

**Did you know that National has a blog? The blog features excellent info and photos that can be easily shared. No log-in required!**  
<https://www.legion-aux.org/blog>

Please send information on your Department's Legislative Program events. Throughout the year, please send photos and short blurbs about your members in Legislative action to your Division Chairmen and post on the National Legislative Facebook page.

### **Websites with Legislative Planning Information:**

- 1. The American Legion Auxiliary Legislative Website-**  
<https://member.legion-aux.org/member/committees/legislative>
- 2. The American Legion Legislative Action Center-**  
<https://www.votervoice.net/AmericanLegion/home>
- 3. Legislative Advocacy Guide-**  
[https://member.legion-aux.org/cmsdesk/ALA/media/PDF/Guides/Legislative\\_Advocacy\\_Guide.pdf](https://member.legion-aux.org/cmsdesk/ALA/media/PDF/Guides/Legislative_Advocacy_Guide.pdf)
- 4. The American Legion Dispatch-**  
<https://www.legion.org/dispatch>
- 5. How to Host a Meet the Candidates Night-**  
<https://member.legion-aux.org/Member/Committees/Legislative/How-to-Host-a-Meet-the-Candidate-Night>

## Legislative Newsletter

The purpose of the Legislative program is to provide information and assistance to American Legion Auxiliary members to advocate for the legislative agenda of The American Legion.

**Standing Rule #5, National Committees -Mission Outreach**

ALAforVeterans.org-  
Legislative Program

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### Host a Meet the Candidates Night

If you want to empower the Legion Family to be more knowledgeable to support the American Legion's legislative priorities, you can "Host a Meet the Candidates Night." It is simply a question-and-answer session, not a debate, with all candidates for an election. A few simple steps: Form a Legion Family Committee, map out a Plan of Action, set guidelines for candidates, contact all candidates (remember the Legion family is nonpartisan), invite them to your special night, find your volunteers, moderator, timekeepers, Legion Family Ambassadors, servers, Crowd Control and Screeners. Set up your agenda; on your night, set up your room to include a voter registration table and Legion Family membership, programs, and information. With some upfront planning, your Candidates Night will be a great success. Your Meet the Candidates Night will support the Legion's "Get Out the Vote," which began in 1920 with the American Legion requesting all Legionnaires to exercise their right to vote and encourage others to vote. Let us, The American Legion Family, renew our commitment to continue to be politically active individuals – be Informed and participate in our government, which leads to our mission of supporting our veterans.

If you want more details, you can find a step-by-step guide to Hosting a Candidates Night on the American Legion Auxiliary National website at [www.alaforveterans.org/Legislative Committee](http://www.alaforveterans.org/Legislative%20Committee).

"Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can."

**Arthur Ashe**

Joan Cannon, Western Division Legislative Chair

<https://member.legion-aux.org/Member/Committees/Legislative/How-to-Host-a-Meet-the-Candidate-Night>

The Auxiliary has many tools that aid members in learning about our programs.

**\*ALA Academy**

[www.alaforveterans.org/ALA-Academy/](http://www.alaforveterans.org/ALA-Academy/)

### MISSION TRAINING

Northwestern: 11/16/24  
Denver, CO

Southern: 11/16/24  
Nashville, TN

Central: 1/25/25  
Des Moines, IA

Eastern: 2/1/2025  
Boston, MA

Western: 2/1/2025  
Las Vegas, NV

Further information found at  
<https://member.legion-aux.org/meetings/mission-training/>

### Legislative Important Dates

**Legislative 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Meeting**  
January 28, 2025 @ 8:00 PM ET

**Legislative 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly Meeting**  
April 1, 2025 @ 8:00 PM ET

**Washington Conference**  
March 2-5, 2025

**Department Chairman Year-End Report** due to National Chairman & National Division Chairmen by May 15

**Unit Award: Most Outstanding Unit Legislative Program** (per department) - submitted electronically by 5 p.m. ET on June 1.

**Department Award: Best Department Legislative Program** (per department) — submitted by 5 p.m. ET on June 1.

## Legislative Newsletter

### National Legislative 1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly Zoom Meeting

The Legislative National Committee met with the Department Chairs and guests, which included our National Vice President, Ray Ward, on September 24, 2024. The Legislative National Committee met with the Department Chairs and guests, which included our National Vice President, Ray Ward, on September 24, 2024. The main topics for this meeting included Auxiliary supporting the Legion's Legislative Agenda and Get Out the Vote as early voting has already begun. Divisional breakout sessions focused on the following:

- How can we encourage and train members to use the Grassroots Action Center to engage more with their legislative representatives?
- Discuss how the ALA Legislative Department Chairs are working with TAL Legislative Department Chair to share the legislative agenda for their state.
- Joining ALA Legislative Facebook Page
- Submit pictures and events to the division chairman and national chairman as they happen instead of at year-end reporting, which will allow for a jump on year-end reporting.

National Legislative Chair Sallie Rossman spoke on the American Legion Auxiliary supporting The American Legion's Legislative Agenda. The National Chair stated that the American Legion Auxiliary is a group of citizens whose involvement in the Legislative program provides information and assistance to American Legion Auxiliary members to advocate for the Legion's legislative agenda. Awareness of The American Legion's priorities and call-to-action alerts prepares the Auxiliary to communicate with representatives on the impending legislature. Using knowledge to persuade elected officials to achieve The American Legion's priorities is often the process of changing or reforming attitudes toward the needed legislature.

The Call to Action is for the Auxiliary to advocate for The American Legion Legislative Agenda at all levels of our government. It includes being knowledgeable of TAL legislative priorities, responding to the Legislative Action Alerts, contacting representatives at all levels of the government, and hosting Meet the Candidates Nights. Members have the tools available on The American Legion Legislative, and the American Legion Auxiliary website will allow members to achieve the mission of our Legislative program, which is to "provide information and assistance to members to advocate for The American Legion agenda."

National Legislative Vice Chair Amy Luft provided information on the "Get Out the Vote" giving information on TAL initiative to increase voter turnout in elections. The "Get Out the Vote" program includes ideas on how to work the program effectively. Members can conduct voter registration and nonpartisan "Get Out the Vote" campaigns, host or participate in a nonpartisan candidate forum, promote the importance of voting at your local schools, and provide transportation to voting polls for members/community and/or help with childcare. What members cannot do includes endorse or oppose a candidate for public office, make contributions (money, time, or facilities) to a candidate, volunteers working on an American Legion family-sponsored registration and voting drive should not wear campaign buttons or make their personal views about candidates known in any way, and not invite candidates to speak at or during an official meeting of The American Legion Family. As stated by TAL, "Get Out the Vote activities in an American Legion post must be nonpartisan, which simply means the American Legion Family cannot show or state a preference for or against any particular candidate or a particular political party."

#### **Western Division-** Joan Cannon, National Division Chair

They discussed how to provide Legislative Program information to district chairs in a format shareable with unit members. One suggestion was making a flow chart to show the steps to get to the grassroots action center. Most importantly, department legislative chairs must pass the information on to their unit counterparts. Discussing the importance of contacting the TAL Legislative Department Chair and introducing this will enable our department legislative chairs to create a relationship with their TAL counterpart. Joining ALA Legislative Facebook Page – All western division department chairs joined the national legislative Facebook page, and district chairs and all members will be encouraged to participate by providing information on joining. Requested departments send pictures and event information as it happens or monthly. Doing so will support their department's end-of-year reporting and Western Division and National Chairmen's year-end reporting.

#### **Central Division-** Cynthia Boehnlein, National Division Chair

The Central Division is off to a great start. The division chair shared two tips with the chairs to help make their programs successful. One is, if they always have a 118th Congress trifold with them, there is a QR code printed on it that will take a member or advocate directly to the Grassroots Action Center to sign up and begin sending messages. The second is to ensure the member checks the box to sign up for text alerts for special alerts from the Legion. In doing this, the member can send the messages directly from their text messages and not have to search their email accounts for Action Alerts. We found it advisable to review our profiles to ensure we have all checked the box, as this is a newer feature of the Grassroots Center. **Illinois**—Reports posting action alerts and Legion priorities on the department's Facebook page and sending out flyers with the Legion agenda. **Indiana**—Department Chair shared the TAL Legislative Guide with members. The department chair is scheduling a Zoom meeting with the District Chairman, and they will try Quarterly meetings. **Iowa** – Members discussed the Legion's legislative agenda at their annual leadership meeting in August. **Kansas**—Some members march on Capitol Hill with their jobs and can connect with their legislators. **Michigan**—Chair met with the Legion counterpart and discussed the upcoming election and candidates' meet-and-greets in the state. **Missouri**—Encouraging signing up for alerts in the "Legionette," discussed in a virtual meeting, and providing the link to the TAL legislative website. Rallies will be held in January and April before the sessions shut down. **Ohio** – Using the PowerPoint provided by the national chair at the Department School of Instructions. The department chair also met with Ohio State Senator Jerry Cirino from District 18 to discuss veterans' issues at the Statehouse on the radio show "They Sacrificed for Us." The State of Ohio has also held its first Veteran Suicide Awareness Day statewide on September 22. **West Virginia** – Holding a training session where she challenged each member to send ten messages before the morning coffee. Their high schools organized a conference call with their two senators to voice their opinions. **Wisconsin**—The Department's PEP was rewritten to mirror the National PEP. Weekly notifications from Grassroots were forwarded to members, and step-by-step instructions on how to sign into the Grassroots Action Center were shared with members. She reports that several articles have been written for the Department paper.



Legislative Newsletter

National Legislative 1st Quarterly Zoom Meeting (Continued)

Southern Division- Pearl Sanders-Mills, Division Chair

The Southern Division discussed Getting Out the Vote. Ideas included conducting a voter registration drive in your community and providing transportation to the polls on voting day. We discussed the Grassroots Action Center and ensured all members could locate their representatives' contact information. We will encourage members to join the national Facebook page. Some states will work with voter registration. We talked about working with the Legislative Legion Chair.

Northwestern Division- DeLora Kautzmann, Division Chair

Information on voting and legislation supported by the Legion was disseminated to members of their departments. South Dakota has participated in joint legislative activities with the Legion. There was discussion on getting young voters by posting Get Out the Vote, voting location, and absentee voting information posters at universities and colleges.

Eastern Division- Lisa Boyer, Division Chair

Connecticut--Starting a Campaign: Put some PEP in your Step: P - Phone Calls, E - Emails, P - Personal Contact. Maryland- held their chairman's meeting, noting that half of the units have Legislative Chairs and making sure that each one is on the Action Committee, knows how to get the Grassroots Newsletter, and has signed up to send emails. Massachusetts-Department Chair Ann Gobi, the past state legislator, suggested holding a Zoom meeting inviting the Congress people and US Senators with the folks in the department so people can meet face to face in a relaxed atmosphere after the election. New Jersey-The goal this year is to make everything easy: attention grabber flyers and quick information- and this seems to be getting a good response. Request a blurb for the "Get Out the Vote" to be consistent when posting.

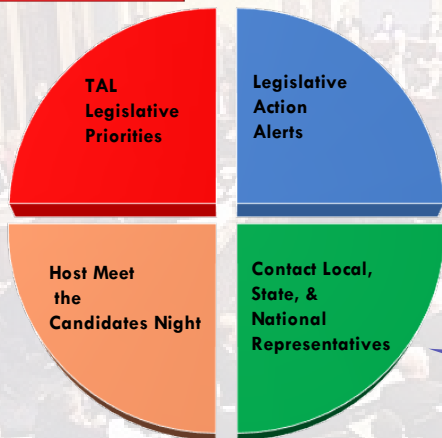
The quarterly Legislative Program zooms are on January 28, 2025, and April 1, 2025, at 8:00 PM Eastern.

Legislative Committee



Advocacy in Action

Legislative Program



<https://member.legion-aux.org/member/committees/legislative>



## How can you get involved with Get Out The Vote:

1. **Verify you are registered to vote.** Even if you believe you are registered to vote in your state, it is essential to verify your registration status. Visit <https://www.vote411.org/check-registration> to check your voter registration status.
2. **Register to vote.** Check voter registration deadlines for your state and register to vote at <https://www.vote411.org/select-state>. The website will provide information on voter registration deadlines, the last day to request an absentee ballot, when and where early voting opens, identification requirements to vote, and more.
3. **Educate yourself on what is on the ballot.** Registering to vote is not enough; we must know what is on our ballots and what is at stake for our community. Visit <https://www.vote411.org/ballot> to find sample ballots and the candidates up for election in your area. Research further into each candidate to see their campaign websites and interviews they have done. Check if each candidate has forums and other events near you.
4. **Spread the word.** Share the above links with your friends, families, and community members to ensure they are registered to vote. Use the hashtag #GetOutTheVote on social media to share your stories and encourage others to vote.

**GET OUT  
THE VOTE!**



**October 2024**  
**American Legion Auxiliary**  
**Department of Arizona**  
**MUSIC REPORT 2024-2025**

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Greetings Musicophiles (“music lovers”),

September is Auxiliary Music Month. This year’s Music Theme is: “Saluting Our Super Heroes through Music”. Let’s get the love of music out to everyone. Together, we’ve got the music in us!. What a wonderful way to salute these heroes! I would like all Districts and Units to include music in their meetings. Please let me know some of the ways your Districts and “Units are Saluting Our Super Heroes through Music”. I’m looking forward to hearing your ideas.

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,

Fall Conference is approaching very fast. I’m been working on music for Fall Conference. I’m looking forward to seeing and hearing your beautiful voices there!

“Life and love go on. Let the music play. ”

Johnny Cash

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

Alma Mattingly, Department Music Chairman

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## POPPY OCTOBER 2024

### UPDATE

#### Questions answered by National during the Poppy quarterly meeting

**QUESTION: Can Poppy funds be utilized for AEF?**

**ANSWER: No.** Since some Auxiliary members are eligible for membership from a non-direct descendent (grandfather, grandmother) this money cannot be utilized for AEF. It can only go to veterans and direct family members.

**QUESTION: Can Poppy funds be utilized for Creative Arts?**

**ANSWER: Yes,** since it is helping only veterans?

**QUESTION: Can Poppy funds to utilized to assist with a service dog?**

**ANSWER: Yes,** as long as the dog is properly trained, certified and utilized as a Service dog by a Veteran. No difference between physical or therapy dog criteria.

Hope this helps with Poppy Fund usage.

Kat Sticklin

AZ Dept Poppy Chair

**Department of Arizona VA&R  
Western Division Progress Report  
Marge Christianson, Chairman  
October 1, 2024**

**The Department of Arizona held 3 Veteran Creative Arts Festivals (at each VAMC in Arizona).**

The Phoenix VA brought in professional artists to judge the works while veterans and their guests enjoyed art and snacks. People's Choice voting was a hit and the VAMC Director came to the award presentation. As a co-sponsoring organization, it was an honor to address all the attendees, thank them and inform them about the ALA's contribution.

The Tucson VCAF had a "Wine Tasting" theme (really grape juice) that added an air of elegance to the works. Veterans, guests, staff and volunteers enjoyed the charcuterie plate & "wine" while viewing the art. New this year were display boards, donated by the Auxiliary, for the Creative Writing submission which gave them far more visibility than just lying on tables. The winning art was then put on display at the Tucson Mall so the public could view it!

The Prescott VCAF was held for 3 days at the Yavapai County Fair for the second year. This enabled far more "pedestrian" traffic than previous years. A beautiful "palette-designed" cake was served during the award presentation.

**Work is underway for three Gift Shops.**

The Phoenix VAMC is under construction so Post 1, the nearest to the hospital, will host the event. Work is being done to provide transportation between the hospital and the Post as well as widely promoting the event in local businesses.

The Tucson VAMC, due in large part to our VAVS Rep, has approved a traditional gift shop at the VAMC. This event will include the veterans in the hospital as well as assist the homeless veteran group on the last day of the shop.

The Prescott VAMC is assisting with gift selection for those in the Community Living Center. Volunteers, including the entire Legion Family, will then go room to room with treats, gifts and good cheer. Following that there will be a "assembly line" gift selection for those in the Domiciliary, along with food and entertainment.

**Work is underway to receive "Wish Lists" from the 4 State Homes in Arizona.** Past Department President Barbara White selected the State Homes as her special project two years ago, so funds are now available! Five therapeutic recliners will be delivered next week to the Phoenix State Home! Unfortunately, personnel changeover and limited resources at the State Homes are making this effort a bit of a challenge. In the meantime, birthday cards, birthday parties and the opening of the new Flagstaff Home are occurring.

**Wreaths Across America** is being promoted via the Department website and the popular Department Ring Your Bell Facebook page (which has 1,200 members).

**As always, Units in Arizona have been busy supporting our veterans.** Unit 107 held a “bachelor auction” to raise funds to the Phoenix VAMC. Unit 16 is gathering warm clothing for veterans for the upcoming cold weather in southern Arizona. Auxiliary Units are supporting events like Stand downs and seminars in and out of their Post Homes. Junior members are distributing poppies and helping at fundraising pancake breakfasts.

The Department VA&R team is putting an emphasis on re-engaging members in the VAMC/State Homes. Card signing events for veteran birthdays (the Phoenix State home delivers cards to each veteran on their birthday) and upcoming holidays are occurring. Southern Arizona Units, coordinated by the Department Chairman, take turns holding a monthly birthday party for veterans at the Tucson State Home. Promotion of VCAF increased participation and the same is hoped for the Gift Shops.

We are excited about the coming year and what we can do to support our veterans.

# Wreaths Across America

In August 2023, the American Legion Auxiliary national organization joined forces with Wreaths Across America (WAA) to build a stronger awareness of each group's common missions while supporting fundraising efforts nationwide. Wreaths Across America is an incredible organization whose mission is to remember our fallen U.S. veterans. Honor those who serve and teach our children the value of freedom. Wreaths Across America's mission so closely aligns with the ALA's as they continue to pay homage to our heroes after they have passed from this world.

[Read about ALA's support by clicking here!](#)



## Wreaths Across America Day December 14., 2024

On that day, more than 2 million wreaths will be placed on veterans' graves across local, national, and military cemeteries, as well as veterans' memorials and historic sites. We encourage members of The American Legion Family to participate.

[Sponsor a wreath by clicking here](#)

ALA units can also take part in the Wreaths Across America **Sponsorship Group Program**. Units that register as a "\$5 back group" will earn \$5 for every \$17 sponsorship earned – allowing the donor to essentially "do good twice" and support both programs and missions.

[Sponsor wreaths by clicking here](#)



# 2024 Gift Shop Dates:

## Prescott: December 18

Room to room delivery in the Whipple Community Living Center and a Domiciliary get-together  
More info or to volunteer: Patricia Aljets

## Phoenix: December 2- 4

Set up the 1st at Post 1  
Shop set up for veterans to shop for themselves and family  
More info or to volunteer: Christine Paulson

## Tucson: December 3-5

Set up on the 2nd at the Tucson Medical Center Auditorium  
Shop set up for veterans to shop for themselves and family  
More info or to volunteer: Carla Neill





## Reporting Hours

The "Veteran/Military" section of the " Impact Report" captures a broad set of activities related to the execution of activities undertaken to improve the lives of veterans -- directly or indirectly. ***It is used for reporting to Congress*** Service to Veterans reporting captures a subset of "impact hours" where the activity **directly** affects one or more veterans but is not conducted in a Federal VA Facility. ***It is used for volunteer recognition***

		Congress Info	Volunteer Recognition
<b>Activity examples and where the hours/money/donations in kind are eligible for reporting</b>		<b>Impact Report</b>	<b>Service to Veterans</b>
<b>Events including fundraising in or out of Post Home that will benefit veterans</b>			
	Honor flights	Y	N
	Homeless Veterans help	Y	N
	Art therapy support (Materials or events)	Y	N
	Cemetery care/funeral services/Wreaths Across America	Y	N
	Individual Veteran in financial need	Y	N
	Gift Shops, State Homes, veterans in nursing homes	Y	N
<b>Honoring Veterans</b>			
	parades honoring veterans (Memorial Day, Veterans Day etc)	Y	Y
	In or out of Post home recognition events (e.g., purple heart meals, air force birthday presentations)	Y	Y
	Card Signing for cards to veterans	Y	Y
<b>Directly Assisting Veterans</b>			
	recording veteran histories	Y	Y
	helping non-family in-need veterans in their home	Y*	Y*
	helping family member veterans living with you	up to 10 hours/wk*	up to 10 hours/wk*
	helping family member veterans not living with you	up to 5 hours/wk*	up to 5 hours/wk*
	providing transportation to veterans/running errands for veterans	Y	Y
	assisting with veterans hiring fairs	Y	Y
	Collecting & providing necessities such as clothing, nutrition and hygiene	Y	Y
	Tax preparation, budgeting, etc	Y	Y
	Making quilts, crafting for veteran comfort	Y	Y
	Visiting/events at State Homes	Y	Y
<b>Indirectly Assisting Veterans</b>			
	advocating for The American Legion legislative agenda that supports veterans	Y	N
	public relations efforts to engage community in veteran issues	Y	N
	*If not professionally paid		

# PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT



Pups and Warriors Side by Side (P.A.W.S.S.) is a program that recognizes the critical need for Veteran service animal teams. Originally launched in 2021, it aimed to support Veterans and military family members by providing integrative healing through a variety of modalities. This program is open to all Veterans and military family members. It incorporates family members in training and services, recognizing their role in supporting Veterans with service animals. The program offers excursions, gear, and other resources to enhance well-being and resilience.



# P.A.W.S.S.



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P.A.W.S.S. (Pups And Warriors Side by Side) is a veteran owned and operated non-profit organization that helps disabled Veterans, First Responders and their family members train their own dogs to become their certified service dogs. We strive to empower our students by building confidence, encouraging open, honest and supportive relationships with a judgment-free approach in a safe training environment, all while raising awareness on the impact that PTSD has on our Veterans and First Responders, as well as the Secondary PTSD it causes their loved ones.

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## CREATIVE ARTS

OCTOBER 2024

Veterans eligible to receive care through the Department of Veteran Affairs are enrolled at a VA Medical Center, Outpatient Clinic, or reside in a state veterans home. Having the support of loved ones help during their healing journey.

The National and Local Creative Arts Festivals showcase the artistic creations of our veterans. They inspire pride and a sense of achievement. They establish opportunities for development of new skills and recognize the progress and recoveries made through creative arts therapies.

First, Second, and Third Place winners in the Local Creative Arts Festivals are entered in the National Creative Arts Festivals. The 2024 National Creative Arts Festival was held May 11-18 in Denver, Colorado. Congratulations to the eight award winners from Arizona. Art Division: Gold – Verne Casavoy from Prescott; Silver – Henry Johnson from Prescott; Bronze – Linda Stilson and Raymond Crandall from Tucson, and Melissa Tollison from Prescott. Creative Writing Division: Silver - Peter Bourret from Tucson; Drama Division: Silver - Peter Bourret from Tucson; Music Division: Bronze – Oscar Sura from Tucson.

I attended the Prescott Arts Festival on September 6, 2024, and posted photos of the entries on Ring Your Bell. Thanks to members of Units 6, 78, and 108 members, who are dedicated volunteers and provided assistance with the Northern Arizona VA Health Care System Creative Arts Show. More information in next Bulletin.

The American Legion Auxiliary and Department of Veterans Affairs are the only two sponsors for this program. We are grateful for your Unit donations that help our Veterans receive therapy. Send your donations to Department and specify it is for your local VA festival or it will be forwarded to the National Creative Arts Festival. Poppy funds can be also used for the Creative Arts Program.

Additional information can be found at [creativeartsfestival@va.gov](mailto:creativeartsfestival@va.gov).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or a team member in your area:

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# Arizona State Veteran Home-Flagstaff

## Grand Opening Celebration!

Join the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services for the grand opening of our newest Arizona State Veteran home in Flagstaff!



**RSVP Here!**

<https://bit.ly/ASVHFlagstaffGrandOpeningRSVP>

OR

BY QR CODE BELOW



**When:** *Monday, November 11th  
1PM to 4PM*

**Where:** *2100 N. Gemini Road  
in Flagstaff.*

**Immediately following the ceremony  
we will be offering tours of the facility.**

**Light refreshments will be  
served.**

For October birthday parties we have unit 59 stepping up. It will be a good one. That unit has come along way. Dawn my co chair and my self are learning as we go. We are trying to come up with new and fun ideas to bring to the State Veterans home, I got good reports from Sam that he is happy how we are doing things.

I detached to my report a wish list that the home said, there in need of . Have any questions please feel free to reach out to us. Birthday parties are always the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 1pm to 3pm. Some of the veterans and residents there don't get no interactions . All they see are staff. It brings a smile to their faces when we interact with them. I have all the birthdays book until January of 2025 . If for some reason your unit is unable to come to help they can have someone drop off the stuff by 12:30pm the day of the party. If a unit can't get the stuff they can send a check made out to Department of Arizona Auxiliary and in memo put in the month you picked and birthday party. Once they get it and okay it it will be sent to me and my self or Dawn will pick up the supplies.

Important dates: November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9am is decorating of the State Veterans Home Tucson, Please we can use as many volunteers as we can get. Please spread the word to other units and Sons of the American Legion and the Riders and legionairs. The more the merrier.

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THERE IS NO I IN TEAM- SERVICE TO VETERANS NOT TO SELF



# Wish List

1. Extra large sweatpants
2. Extra large and 2X shirts
3. Snack items- chips, candy bars
4. Drinks- cases of water, sodas ie... Coke and diet coke, Dr. Pepper, sprite, 7 up, diet 7 up and Root Beer.
5. Arts and crafts items of all kinds
6. Dry cat food and can wet cat food  
(residents have a resident cat ).

Hi Everyone,  
I received the updated October birthday list for the ASVH-Phx. It is below.

October Birthdays ASVH-Phx

4- Pat H.  
4- William M.  
4- Richard P.  
13- Henry H.  
19- Peter S.  
20- Efrain E.  
24- Clifford S.

Cat Ludwick



## MEMBERSHIP 10-30-2024

		UNIT	CITY	OBJECTIVE	JUNIOR	SENIOR	TOTAL	PERCENT
		0100	Phoenix	171	1	91	92	53.80%
		<b>Total</b>		<b>171</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>53.80%</b>
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01		0019	Yuma	216	3	89	92	42.59%
		0046	Bouse	58	0	7	7	12.07%
		0056	Yuma	80	0	35	35	43.75%
		<b>Total</b>		<b>354</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>37.85%</b>
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02		0007	Tucson	45	0	19	19	42.22%
		0036	Tucson	279	1	59	60	21.51%
		0059	Tucson	145	3	59	62	42.76%
		0066	Green Valley	900	0	483	483	53.67%
		0068	Tucson	61	1	14	15	24.59%
		0073	Tucson	35	1	13	14	40.00%
		0109	Vail	390	4	168	172	44.10%
		0125	Tucson	16	0	0	0	0.00%
		0131	Green Valley	580	0	362	362	62.41%
		0132	Oro Valley	85	1	53	54	63.53%
		<b>Total</b>		<b>2536</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1230</b>	<b>1241</b>	<b>48.94%</b>
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03		0011	Douglas	145	0	57	57	39.31%
		0016	Bisbee	64	0	13	13	20.31%
		0024	Tombstone	415	8	241	249	60.00%
		0045	Benson	50	0	10	10	20.00%
		0052	Sierra Vista	210	0	72	72	34.29%
		0141	Pearce	22	0	1	1	4.55%
		<b>Total</b>		<b>906</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>44.37%</b>
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04		0008	Casa Grande	35	0	6	6	17.14%
		0009	Florence	125	0	11	11	8.80%
		0051	Coolidge	70	0	2	2	2.86%
		0054	Coolidge	93	0	39	39	41.94%
		0097	San Tan Valley	40	1	23	24	60.00%
		0129	Queen Creek	21	0	2	2	9.52%
		0133	Maricopa	35	0	9	9	25.71%
		<b>Total</b>		<b>419</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>22.20%</b>
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05	0004	Globe	40	0	2	2	5.00%
	0028	Clifton	85	0	24	24	28.24%
	0032	Safford	155	0	69	69	44.52%
	0095	Solomon	82	4	44	48	58.54%
	<b>Total</b>		<b>362</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>39.50%</b>
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06	0030	Springerville	90	0	36	36	40.00%
	0037	Holbrook	25	0	2	2	8.00%
	0069	Payson	130	0	12	12	9.23%
	0086	Overgaard	415	1	203	204	49.16%
	<b>Total</b>		<b>660</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>38.48%</b>
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07	0003	Flagstaff	73	3	22	25	34.25%
	0013	Williams	50	1	31	32	64.00%
	0014	Kingman	145	1	36	37	25.52%
	0022	Golden Valley	150	1	64	65	43.33%
	0042	Grand Canyon	38	5	12	17	44.74%
	0057	Ash Fork	80	0	24	24	30.00%
	0081	Lake Havasu City	670	5	334	339	50.60%
	0087	Bullhead City	132	0	43	43	32.58%
	0088	Dolan Springs	10	0	10	10	100.00%
	0103	Meadview	43	0	25	25	58.14%
	0123	Seligman	40	0	5	5	12.50%
	0136	Yucca	15	0	0	0	0.00%
	<b>Total</b>		<b>1446</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>43.02%</b>
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08	0006	Prescott	263	5	161	166	63.12%
	0025	Cottonwood	306	6	181	187	61.11%
	0040	Chino Valley	95	0	35	35	36.84%
	0078	Humboldt	160	1	35	36	22.50%
	0079	Yarnell	183	0	83	83	45.36%
	0090	Black Canyon City	75	0	12	12	16.00%
	0093	Camp Verde	112	0	78	78	69.64%
	0108	Prescott Valley	38	0	6	6	15.79%
	0135	Cornville	47	1	17	18	38.30%
	0140	Prescott Valley	23	4	10	14	60.87%
<b>Total</b>		<b>1302</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>48.77%</b>	
<b>Total</b>		<b>1302</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>48.77%</b>	

11		0001	Phoenix	127	0	14	14	11.02%
		0005	Phoenix	65	1	15	16	24.62%
		0012	Wickenburg	220	0	33	33	15.00%
		0029	Glendale	250	3	81	84	33.60%
		0053	Buckeye	30	0	24	24	80.00%
		0061	Avondale	215	0	103	103	47.91%
		0062	Peoria	1000	31	553	584	58.40%
		0105	Phoenix	215	2	115	117	54.42%
		0115	Glendale	35	2	14	16	45.71%
		0134	Phoenix	22	0	0	0	0.00%
		0145	Peoria	14	0	3	3	21.43%
	<b>Total</b>			<b>2193</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>45.33%</b>
	<b>Total</b>			<b>2193</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>45.33%</b>
12		0002	Tempe	111	0	58	58	52.25%
		0026	Mesa	235	1	115	116	49.36%
		0027	Apache Junction	1920	3	1091	1094	56.98%
		0034	Cave Creek	320	0	122	122	38.13%
		0035	Chandler	316	6	143	149	47.15%
		0039	Gilbert	520	6	263	269	51.73%
		0041	Phoenix	350	6	136	142	40.57%
		0044	Scottsdale	340	0	156	156	45.88%
		0058	Fountain Hills	405	5	267	272	67.16%
		0064	Phoenix	25	0	0	0	0.00%
		0065	Phoenix	350	11	112	123	35.14%
		0084	Sacaton	50	7	41	48	96.00%
		0091	Chandler	275	12	118	130	47.27%
		0107	Phoenix	210	1	90	91	43.33%
		0114	Scottsdale	25	0	1	1	4.00%
		0117	Phoenix	265	2	112	114	43.02%
		0124	Guadalupe	30	4	12	16	53.33%
		0138	Tempe	54	0	16	16	29.63%
	<b>Total</b>			<b>5801</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>2853</b>	<b>2917</b>	<b>50.28%</b>
	<b>Total</b>			<b>5801</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>2853</b>	<b>2917</b>	<b>50.28%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>			<b>16150</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>7362</b>	<b>7527</b>	<b>46.61%</b>