

AUGUST 2022 GENERAL ORDERS AUXILIARY OUTREACH

James Kneller, Chairman

Greetings Sisters & Brothers,

The VFW Auxiliary Outreach Program is your auxiliary's vehicle to partner with local groups and organizations. This Partnership assists those groups to help them achieve their program goals and objectives. Our communities are hungry for volunteers. Show them we are here to help.

How do you find partnering opportunities? • Mine your members, family, friends, and neighbors. Find what their interests are and what they do. • Check local community bulletin boards and city/ county/neighborhood calendars. • Look for opportunities in your local newspapers and magazines. • Reach out to find the right contacts and ask if their groups or organizations need assistance. • Develop ideas and present the possible partnership to your Auxiliary at a meeting for approval. • Put the plan into motion under the direction of your partner.

Important Reminders • Auxiliary Outreach is not to be reported under any other Auxiliary Programs. • Auxiliary Outreach participation by our members is completely under the direction of the sponsoring organization. Remember you are the volunteer! • Partnerships are to be approved by vote of the Auxiliary and recorded in your minutes. • Sponsoring, planning, funding or arranging for activities concerning the event are NOT reportable under the Auxiliary Outreach Program • Events may only need a handful of Auxiliary members at a time. If the partnership is a regular activity (e.g., monthly intake volunteer at the blood bank), only one member may be scheduled or needed to volunteer. Keep track throughout the year of those long-standing partnerships. • Can your Post Home or meeting location be the site of your partnership? Yes, under certain circumstances. If the event is completely under the control of your sponsoring partner and all other requirements of the Program have been met, you may volunteer and report this partnership. • Partnerships in Auxiliary Outreach may be a single event or regular ongoing events throughout the year.

On The Road Again for Our Veterans,

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