

Auxiliary Community Outreach

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Program Goals
Members Participating in Community Outreach
Auxiliary Participation in Community Outreach

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The goal of the **Auxiliary Community Outreach Program** is to find ways and means to be more active and visible within our local communities. This program will give us the opportunity to do more with our local communities, schools, and other civic, faith-based, and youth organizations. It is time to take an active role in our local community events and affairs and to let our local communities know we are here and willing to support them.

I am so happy that we once again have a program where we can report on all the support we give and volunteer work we do with other organizations in our local communities. Many of our members donate their time and money volunteering at Senior Centers; Food pantries; yard work, grocery shopping, or housekeeping for our neighbors; animal rescue groups; local quilting groups; after school programs; donations or working with Relay for Life/ American Cancer Society/American Diabetes Association; and so many other things in our local communities. Volunteering is what the VFW Auxiliary is all about; it is what we do, how we do it, where we do it, and why we do it. All this volunteer work needs to be counted. I am looking forward to working with all of you on this program.

Auxiliary Community Outreach is volunteer work performed by one member, a group of members or an Auxiliary for the benefit of their community or its institutions.

What's Considered Auxiliary Community Outreach

- Walks that benefit other organizations.
- Working with local police on child ID kits.
- Working with firefighters on fire safety and prevention
- Working with local schools, churches, first responders for holiday programs that benefit the community.
- Working with EMT's to host CPR training.
- Hosting a blood drive
- Working with parks and recreation to plant trees, adopt a park and develop community art installation.
- Handing out food at soup kitchens
- Delivering food for Meals on Wheels

What's NOT Considered Auxiliary Community Outreach

- Volunteer work for the benefit of the Post or Auxiliary is not considered Community Outreach.
- Repairs or maintenance to Post Home.
- Cooking or serving a meal for Post or Auxiliary fundraiser
- Buddy® Poppy distribution
- VFW or VFW Auxiliary meetings, conventions, conferences or schools of instruction
- Church activities for one specific congregation and not the entire community (e.g. usher, elder, deacon, minister, etc.)

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Aux. # _____ District # _____ City _____ Membership Group _____

Chairman's Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Always use additional paper if necessary, to provide details of your project or program

Report Deadlines: November 15, 2021 and April 15, 2022. **Date of this report:** _____

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1. Did your Auxiliary implement Auxiliary Community Outreach Program? _____
For example, was the project approved by the Auxiliary and in the minutes prior to the project began. Community projects of all members can be counted as Auxiliary Community Outreach projects. _____
2. How many Auxiliary Members participated in Auxiliary Community Outreach? _____
For example, blood drives, neighborhood/highway beautification, civic or faith-based volunteerism that benefits the community at large, assisting individuals with special needs or the elderly, etc.
3. How many hours did your Auxiliary members volunteer for programs or projects NOT AFFILIATED with the VFW OR VFW Auxiliary Programs? _____
4. Did you plan or participate in projects or programs to support and or recognize first responders?

5. Give a brief description of one of your Community Outreach projects.

Attach any media used to support these activities.