



American Legion Auxiliary

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SERVICE TO VETERANS

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Service to Veterans is one of the most wonderful program in the American Legion Auxiliary.

We are members of the greatest organization to help our veterans.

There is a Mission to follow, it goes like this.

In the spirit of Service Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor our youth and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

Goal 5 of the Strategic Plan is to Build Brand Loyalty. We should wear our emblem as much as possible, to show our communities how we feel about our Veterans and their Families. We need to answer their questions about the American Legion Auxiliary, and ask them if they are eligible to join.

There is so much that a Unit can do for your Veterans or their Families. Here is just a few.

Crochet hats, scarves or mittens to be distributed to the homeless veterans. Maybe not in your town, but mail them to one that does have homeless.

Contact your local Post to see if there is anyone in need. Make payments on overdue rent, or utility bills. Check with your Veterans Service Officer, ask him to let you know what is needed in the local area.

Maybe your Unit is not in an area that can help in the big Cities, but our local Veterans are still here in your communities. Give them a ride, Visit with them, have a card tournament. Get out the Wii game and have a bowling tournament, make them a meal, do Meals on Wheels.

If you can think of it, just help a Veteran.

But remember to record those hours. There is a new pin out for volunteer hours. Volunteers are recognized when specific hour milestones are recorded started at 50 hrs, 100, 300, 500 and 1,000.

These pins can be purchased from American Legion Emblem Sales.

This is for All Units in Minnesota, on or before December 5th, please send a short paragraph to the Service to Veterans Chairman, so that a report can be compiled to forward on, as to what Minnesota has accomplished.

Thank You
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