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Community Service Objectives & Action Steps

As we move into fall, our Community Service Program turns focus from awareness to action. September was about introducing the program—October is about rolling up our sleeves and getting started!

Objectives in Action

Our goals are more than words on paper—they are a call to service. Here's how our Unit can begin putting them into motion:

- 1. Engage Every Member
 - Encourage each member to take part in at least one project this year. Even one hour makes a difference!
- 2. National Days of Service
 - o Begin planning for Veterans Day (November 11th)—consider activities like:
 - Delivering thank-you cards to veterans at nursing homes or VA facilities.
 - Partnering with schools or youth groups for a veterans recognition event.
- 3. Support for Military Families
 - o Start identifying local Blue Star Families and ways to support them.
 - o Prepare for a winter drive (coats, food, or hygiene supplies) to assist military and veteran families in need.
- 4. Community Partnerships
 - Reach out to local schools, churches, and civic organizations about collaborating on holiday service projects.
- 5. Youth Involvement
 - o Invite Junior members or local youth to assist in simple but meaningful activities—such as helping assemble care packages or writing letters to veterans.

Looking Ahead

- In January, we will participate in the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service.
- In April, we will prepare for our first American Legion Family Day, observed annually on the last Saturday of April.

Your Role

Every member has something unique to contribute—an idea, a skill, or even a smile to brighten someone's day. Together, our small acts create big change.

Thank you for helping us carry out the mission of Service Not Self.

In service and gratitude, Tamara Martin Community Service Chair