

## Donation Program Summaries

| <b>Auxiliary Programs</b>  | <b>Affiliated Programs</b>   |
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| <b>~ **Veterans Rehabilitation</b>   | <b>ALA Foundation</b>  |
| Donations allow the Department Hospital Representatives at each of the nine VA Homes and Hospitals, to plan events for our veterans, purchase personal items (including clothing, if necessary), outings, treats and more.   | Secures the service work of the ALA for future generations. The donations paid into this fund remain in the fund and are referred to as endowment principal. It is the interest dollars earned from the investment of donations that are used to support the ALA programs directly benefiting our veterans and their families.                 |
| <b>~ **\$5.00 Bill Shower</b>  | <b>~ Auxiliary Emergency Fund</b>  |
| Donations are used to ensure every Veteran in the nine VA Homes and Hospitals receive a cash gift during the holiday season.   | Assists eligible members during a time of financial crisis resulting from an emergency. Grants are made possible through the generous contributions of members helping members.  |
| <b>~ **ALA Hospital Program</b>  | <b>**Armed Forces Center - Minneapolis Airport</b>   |
| The American Legion Auxiliary Hospital Program uses the funds donated to this program to purchase personal care items and other necessities for the VA Hospital patients that are admitted. This is all supplemented by the donations that are received from Units.  | The Center offers traveling military a place to relax by offering food, drink, personal items, beds and toiletries. It's a place to call home while waiting for their connecting flight to either home or away on duty. The Center is open 24/7, staffed by volunteers and funded through donations.   |
| <b>~ **Gift Shop</b>   | <b>The Legion Family Hospital Association</b>  |
| This program is designed to provide a gift to all our Veterans who are patients at the VA Medical Centers, and residents of the VA Homes. They are also able to choose a gift to give to spouse/children.  | Donations fund the work of this association by helping eligible members with financial aid for payment of medical bills, provided the need for assistance has been determined.   |
| <b>~ Girls State Support</b>   | <b>~Forgotten Children</b>   |
| This fund uses the donations received for the registration of girls who have a Unit sponsor, but Unit has a lack of funds. Units may use this fund for help with registration (depending on available funds) and only once during a three (3) year period.   | Funds received are sent to the Department of Human Services, Department of MN, to be used for children in licensed foster homes and/or group homes, with Veterans' children receiving preference.  |
| <b>**MN Creative Arts Festival</b>   | <b>Child Welfare Foundation</b>  |
| Funds received for this program are used for veterans participating in the arts festival at either the Mpls or St Cloud Medical Centers. Monies are used to purchase supplies for their projects, or expenses for National competition. You want to see some talent - they have been entertaining us at Fall Conference and Department Conventions. Come join us and enjoy their talent. | Established in 1954, TAL Child Welfare Foundation was developed as a repository of funds from individuals who wish to contribute to the betterment of children in this country. Foremost priority is to provide other non profit organizations with the means to educate the public about the special needs of the children across the nation. |

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| <b>**Department Junior President Project</b>   | <b>**Brain Science Foundation</b>   |
| Our Honorary Department Junior President Harley will be raising funds for the VA Homes and Hospital's activity funds.  | Contributions will help the dedicated neuroscientists continue their research into the understanding of this incredibly vast and complex organ, the brain, in health and disease. More specifically, your donation will be supporting our Women Veterans Healthy Brain Project.   |
| <b>~ Department President Project</b>  | <b>Legionville</b>  |
| Department President Jean's project will be to create Patriot's Park at the MN Veterans Home in Fergus Falls, includes benches, bushes and vines growing over the Pergolas, a dock and monument with matching granite benches. The monument will have 3 soldiers and the motto "No One Left Behind" with the emblems of all the branches of service. | A School Patrol training center for school and bus patrols. Instruction is provided by Safety Education Officers of the MN State Patrol. Legionville is a program of TAL and donations fund maintaining the center and additions of needed equipment. This enables the weekly fee to the center to remain at a low level. |
| <b>Past President Parley Health Care Scholarship</b>   | <b>**Fisher House</b>   |
| Up to ten (10) \$1,000.00 scholarships may be awarded each year. These scholarships are open to members of the American Legion Auxiliary in the state of MN and are funded by your donations to this program.  | Provides "a home away from home" to Veterans and Military families receiving specialized VA care at military medical centers. This allows patients and families to focus on what's most important, the healing process. We are proud of the services we are able to provide because of donations such as yours.           |
| <b>~ Department Scholarship</b>  | <b>**Legacy Scholarship Fund</b>  |
| Up to eight (8) \$1000.00 scholarships may be awarded each year. These scholarships are open to sons, daughters, grandsons and granddaughters of a veteran. Must be a resident of Minnesota. These scholarships are funded by your generous donations.   | Supports children of fallen and disabled post 9/11 service members through annual scholarships funded by donations.   |
| <b>Department History Project</b>  | <b>**TFA (Temporary Financial Assistance)</b>   |
| This fund was approved this year to help with preserving our photos - either by restoration, framing, display cases and/or archival photo storage boxes. We would be working with Hastings Veterans with the framing and display cases. This is continuing for the 100 year anniversary.   | This fund is specifically designed to assist minor children of eligible veterans through cash grants, which contribute to a stable home environment. These grants help families meet the cost of shelter, utilities, food and medical expenses.   |

~ Gambling Funds May Be Used

\*\* Poppy Funds May Be Used

*Thank-you for all your hard work in supporting these Programs*