

2019 - 2020 Community Service Bulletin

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Mid - Year Reports Due no later than December 15th 2019

Year - End Reports due no later than May 1st 2020

The Community Service program promotes the American Legion Auxiliary's visibility within our localities through our commitment to community, state and nation.

What can you do?

- Become visible within your community as a link to the veteran community. Get involved in community service projects to bring awareness of our mission to support veterans, service members, their families and the community.
- Get involved with your neighbors and those outside our Legion family by volunteering at your local library, food pantry, domestic violence shelter, senior citizen centers, assisted living centers, nursing homes.
- Represent the Auxiliary as a member of local community boards and committees.
- Volunteer with your local Meals on Wheels to deliver meals on days when they are typically closed (i.e. Christmas and Thanksgiving).
- Attend and represent the Auxiliary at special community celebrations and events.
- See the National Community Service website at ALAforveterans.org

Department Awards: Reports due to Dept Chairman by May 1st 2020

The Mary Larsen Award

The winner will be chosen by a committee of three judges appointed by the Department Community Service Chairman. The entry must be typewritten, in narrative form and may include newspaper clippings and other displays. The report must include the Unit name and number, Presidents name and name of the Unit Community Service Chairman.

Community Service Award

The entry must be typewritten in narrative form on white paper with the heading "Community Service Project", including the Unit name and number, President name and Unit Community Service Chairman name.

70% most outstanding Community Service project. Entry to pertain to this project only.

30% Local Newspaper publication on project. Should be attached to paper on back of entry.

Final judging to be done by Department Community Service Chairman (or three judges appointed by Department Community Service Chairman if a conflict of interest could exist).

Community Service Award - To the Unit with membership of 150 or less

The entry must be typewritten, in narrative form and may include newspaper clippings, pictures and other displays. This report must include the Unit name and number, Presidents name and the name of the Unit Community Service Chairman. Final judging to be done by committee of three judges appointed by the Department Community Service Chairman.

National Awards: Reports Due to Dept Chairman by May 1st 2020

Unit Award:

Most Outstanding Unit Community Service Program

Award: Citation Plaque

Presented to: One unit in each division (5)

Materials and Guidelines

Include pictures and newspaper articles.

ALA suggested days of service:

9-11 National Day of Service and Remembrance (observed annually on Sept. 11)

Make a Difference Day (observed on the fourth Saturday of Oct.)

Veterans Day (observed annually on Nov. 11)

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service (observed on the third Monday of Jan.)

National Volunteer Week (usually the third week in April)

Mid - Year Questions: Due to Department Chairman by Dec 15th 2019

Did your Unit attend or participate in a local Veterans Day event or parade?

If so which one?

Does your Unit have plans for Community events on other ALA suggested days of service?

Year - End Questions: Due to Department Chairman by May 1st 2020

Did members volunteer for or organize service projects for any of the ALA suggested days of service?

If so, which days were most successful for offering service projects?

Did you have any challenges?

What types of community service activities and/or projects were done in your Unit?

Total volunteers helped with Community Service?

Total hours for Community Service?

Total money donated to Community Service projects?

Total money spent for projects?

Total In Kind Donations given to local Community Service projects?