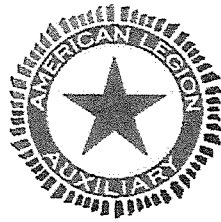


Example 2

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF OREGON

DISTRICT # 3

NORTH EUGENE SANTA CLARA  
UNIT #83



COMMUNITY SERVICE SUPPLEMENTAL  
For Unit 150 or Less  
AWARD

FOR

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'Poppy Days' was held over Armed Forces week-end. It is always an honor to have our Post family members participate wearing their hats. It helps increase our income as the public instantly relates. We are always ready to answer any questions about our great organization. We provide the Poppy Story and Thank You for caring pamphlet. With pride and standing tall our Juniors helped distribute poppies.

Memorial Day, the Post family went to Green Valley Rehab center to give a special remembrance ceremony and to present them with a new Flag, back to the post for our Memorial Tribute by the Post and Unit Chaplains and the placing of our poppy wreath in our memorial garden. This year the post family tried a one- day Chicken BBQ on May 25th ,400 halves sold out and unit received 25% of net profits for our programs.

Time to play in the dirt, our annual beautification day has arrived. An activity when members clean up the 2 acres around our post, plant flowers and add fresh mulch. Showing pride in our community home.

Our unit does not hold meetings in June, July and August, but we stay busy sorting donated clothing, scour the thrift shops and sales for our community projects and school closets.

June 14<sup>th</sup> the post family went to Spring Creek Elementary School to give a flag retirement and a presentation of a new one. Our post WW11 veteran Ken helped two 2<sup>nd</sup> graders raise the flag. It was an all school assembly and as they said the pledge; the new flag rose. Three hundred beautiful voices sang the National Anthem as it unfurled against sky of blue. Ken remarked afterwards that it warmed his heart that young people are being taught to be proud Americans.

Our annual Community Flag Retiring Ceremony was on June 15<sup>th</sup>. We invite the scout troops, and the Santa Clara Fire department to join us. A lesson on proper flag etiquette. Our hope is to instill the proper way to dispose of our Nations Flag and stop its desecration. Troop # 100 presented the colors. A special invitation was sent to the chapter of Rosie the Riveter's to join us, five attended. Our community is invited to retire their own flag. We started this ceremony over 30 years ago and wow, has it grown. We now retire more than 400 flags. The community and school districts drop them off year - round.

Recognition was given to Eagle Scout troop #100 for their ongoing projects for Post # 83. A scout that was very moved by the ceremony approached the post to build a permanent incinerator on the property for future ceremonies as his Eagle badge project. Now each year a new project for their badges and a beautiful place for our community to retire our Nations Flag. This young man is now a Captain in the United States Air Force and we keep in touch.

Time for our annual yard sale, we use these funds for our community service projects. We also have a bake sale, we have so many good cooks in our unit, doesn't take long to sell out. Whatever yard sale items are leftover is donated to the St. Peters Catholic church for their community outreach program.

Two Girl State citizens went to Salem to learn about our democratic process and the veterans that protect their freedoms. Three members attended the Auxiliary Appreciation night. One was a new member and she was blown away by the depth of the program. It truly is life changing experience.

Time for our 36<sup>th</sup> annual Community Chicken BBQ; the community looks forward to this all year. It is our largest two-day event fund-raiser of the year. It requires many volunteers to make it a success. 900 halves' is a lot of chicken and we sold out. The Unit prepares all the side dishes for the dinners, serves them and cashiers. The unit received 25% of net profits and we will use for our different programs.

The Annual picnic is held in August, lots of fun with raffles and bingo for community school supplies.

September 8<sup>th</sup> we held a show and shine car show, we call it "Hot Rods for Hero's". We were surprised with 70 cars as the weather was not our friend. What a draw for the community. We had food and music all day even with the buckets of rain. The juniors did coffee and donuts for the early birds and sold water and soda at the event for their programs.

September 11th is our annual Community observance of 9/11 and POW/MIA Recognition Day'. Our Commander presented a beautiful program honoring all of those who fell during that act of terrorism, complete with the 'Ringing of the bell' by the fire department. Our unit Chaplain lead us in hymns as we lit the candles of remembrance. We invited local Boy and Girl Scout troops. Troop # 100 presented the colors. The junior girls and cub scouts helped pass out the candles and small flags.

Time for the school bell to ring and we were off on a shopping spree. We asked for donations and the response was amazing. A charter school asked if we could help with supplies for their homeless kids. Spring Creek Elementary school got supplies and new socks, underwear and outerwear for their closet.

After our local Stand -Down on September 27<sup>th</sup> we took our leftover clothing to the Eugene Mission for their residents in need.

A little love from home over the Holidays we filled twelve boxes of goodies to eleven service members overseas. One was a woman in the Air Force and gluten free she got special box for her and one for her buddies. One hundred-two dozen cookies made by the juniors and our members plus other special goodies was shipped in time for the Holidays. I imagine they were overwhelmed when they read the cards from the junior girls, thanking them for their service

A check to Lane County food share to provide sack lunches for underprivileged children when not in school.

A request came from the Eagan warming center. They were in desperate need of warm coats, hats, sleeping bags and blankets for their homeless shelters. We made it happen.

Our annual Pearl Harbor dinner was held on December 7<sup>th</sup> for our Post Veterans and their families in recognition for their service. An invitation went out to Rosie the Riveter's to be our special guests, also to both of our Post WW 11 veterans. Our post Commander paid special tribute to them for their service to their country. A thank You card made by the juniors was given to each attendee. The junior girls served the dinner and then listened in awe to their stories. One of the Rosie attendees was 101 years young, wow a life well lived, it was an honor to have her presence.

We volunteered time at the SAL annual Community Christmas tree sales, a fund-raiser for post family of volunteers. The unit made wreaths to sell and the junior girls got involved too. Juniors were elves the day we had Santa come, they helped Santa pass out stuffed animals and candy canes to the children.

December is the month of giving, six names were taken from Spring Creek and two from Yolanda Elementary in Springfield from their giving tree for underprivileged children. Our junior elves went shopping and filled the wishes.

December 18<sup>th</sup>, we filled and delivered twenty-three baskets for veterans and families with eighteen children, ages 2 to 17. The excess food went to the local pantry and the Eugene mission.

February being Americanism month, we presented our program to the kindergarten classes of Spring Creek elementary school. Now is the time they are learning the Pledge of Allegiance. Each child received a small flag, Pledge of Allegiance book marks and the comic book of 'Our Countries Veterans'.

On March 14<sup>th</sup>, we celebrated St. Patty's day and the Posts 45th birthday and the American Legion and Auxiliary's 100 years of service, with the traditional corned beef and cabbage.

With our county in a pandemic and everything on hold we had to cancel our annual Community Easter Egg Hunt.

A community in crisis the post family wanted to help even if we were closed. We took our monthly fish fry and tweaked it and made it a drive thru pick-up meal. The March 28<sup>th</sup> was donated to Meals on Wheels 181 meals \$1600.00 donated. Pretty successful, so we done another one the 10<sup>th</sup> of April for Food for Lane County 309 meals \$2215.00 They were both wild and crazy, everyone was pooped, but a wonderful feeling we made a difference in our community.

With protective masks in shortage, we sprang into action making them. One member enlisted her mobile home quilters to help, these eight ladies are non-members, but wanted to help our auxiliary. As of this report we have given 150 to community members in need, care facilities and medical clinics.

We held three bingo fund-raisers for our community's children and our Girls State program.

All during the year we have members who volunteer every week at local care centers, the hospital, at the library reading to children. Two members sing twice a month with a coral group at local care facilities.

We make ourselves visible and reach out to encourage the community to join us. We are proud to wear our pins. So, they will know; Who we are, What we do and Why we matter.

We are fortunate to have the combined support of the Legion family in everything we do. We can honestly say that we are an American Legion family dedicated to "Service not Self" in fulfilling our mission for our One Hundred years of serving, Veterans, Youth and our Community.

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	In kind Donations	Unit funds
Food Share (sack lunches seniors)	\$ 200.00	\$ 150.00
Includes sack lunches for kids when not in school		
Clothing for homeless shelter	\$2500.00	\$200.00
Blankets, sleeping bags warm coats	\$ 800.00	\$100.00
Eagan warming center for homeless	\$1200.00	
Abused Women's and Children shelter	\$1500.00	
Habitat for Humanity	\$ 200.00	\$ 50.00
Post Beautification		
(Mulch, gravel, flowers & pavers	\$ 800.00	\$100.00
Yard sale left overs, St. Peters Catholic		
Church for community outreach program	\$ 2,500.00	
Eugene Mission	\$ 1,143.00	\$ 100.00
Bethesda Lutheran Church Food Pantry	\$ 400.00	
Meals on Wheels fund -raiser	\$ 1,600.00	
Food for Lane County fund-raiser	\$ 2,215.00	
Community surgical masks	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 150.00

The post has a blood bank set up with Lane Memorial, members give on a regular basis with credit going Post #83, 15 on file.

# Volunteers	# of Hours	In- kind donations	Unit Funds spent	Total
92	5,087	\$ 14,064.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 14,914.00