

October Auxiliary Outreach Promotion

Hello, All!

First, to all the Auxiliaries that have been sending in reports: Thank you so much for them! I hope you will keep up your reporting as the year progresses and we will make our Department President Diana proud of all our accomplishments in our communities.

Worthy activities for Auxiliary Outreach must first be brought up in a motion that is passed on the floor and then recorded in the Secretary's Minutes before your members can participate. The point of the Program is to support some other organization's events or goals within the Community, while wearing Auxiliary apparel, to spread awareness of the Auxiliary. Your report should focus on the hours you served with the other organization – donations of Auxiliary funds to Outreach activities are never eligible to be counted. You should wear your Auxiliary shirt or name badge so the group knows you're there on behalf of the Auxiliary.

Here are some examples: 1) let's say you work with a local soup kitchen. The hours you worked and miles driven for this project are eligible to be reported under the Auxiliary Outreach Program; or 2) if you volunteer at the animal shelter, helping with the animals' care and feeding, or just sitting and playing with the animals to provide comfort to them: the hours contributed and miles driven to and from the facility count on your report. What counts is your service to the other group.

What cannot be counted is anything that is covered under other Auxiliary Programs, or work you perform for the post home or supporting events for the post, nor any volunteer activity that benefits a single church.

There are so many organizations that you can work with, from the March of Dimes to the local Parks & Recreation Clean-up Days to the American Cancer Society. Please continue to send in reports of all your good works in your communities.