

## VFW AUXILIARY OUTREACH PROGRAM

### April 2025 Promotion

The Department of California VFW Auxiliary Outreach Program emphasizes the importance of partnership and active community service. As the year concludes, gratitude is extended to members for their contributions and commitment to outreach efforts. The program encourages direct involvement in community events, including foodbank distributions, park clean-ups, blood drives and other activities. Volunteers are urged to take on both visible and behind-the-scenes roles to strengthen local support networks.

Partnerships with local service organizations—such as police, fire departments, and EMTs—are encouraged to support community safety initiatives like child ID kits and CPR training. Members are also advised to engage with local organizations and utilize community resources to identify opportunities for involvement. Documentation is essential: members should record volunteer activities in meeting minutes, take photos of events, and submit detailed narrative reports, including key details such as participants, purpose, and location.

Please remember that the event with which the auxiliary member or auxiliary would like to **ASSIST: make sure to take photos of the event; wear your auxiliary apparel; write a complete narrative report (Who? What? When? Why? Where? including all attendees accounted for. Please feel free to send photos to the Web Team.**

The program's theme, **“From Our Roots to Our Branches: Extending Service to Our Veterans,”** reflects the continued growth of community service efforts grounded in strong foundational values.

With appreciation,

**Turkessa Lewis**

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