

VETERANS AND FAMILY SUPPORT

January 2026 Promotion



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During January, we try to reset and focus on helping more as we work on our New Year's resolutions. Some ways can be simple such as ...

- Direct Support: Organizing activities like providing rides, home/auto repairs, yard work, or simply visiting homebound veterans
- Also sharing promotions focused on year-round discounts (retailers like Home Depot, Under Armour and other offer veterans and military discounts), free events (Vet Tix), etc.

While we have all this new energy, sit down to report on all the wonderful things our Auxiliaries and all of us accomplish for our veterans. Let's also remember:

The Do's And Don't's Of Reporting for VFS Activities

Is it Reportable under VFS?	
	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Donations to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Cancer Grant Fund✓ Safety/Drug Abuse✓ Service Officer Fund✓ Emergency/Disaster Fund✓ MAP✓ NVS✓ Veterans and Military Support✓ Support for homeless veterans and veterans in need<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Food security✓ Stand Downs✓ Activities for active military<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Care packages✓ Welcome Home✓ Adopt a Troop✓ Promotion and support for Suicide and Mental Health✓ Providing caregiving and child care respite for families✓ Promoting Veteran and Military Support programs<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ MAP✓ Help a Hero Scholarship✓ Chaplain activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">× Donations to a Post× Cleaning, cooking for a Post× Support for Post activities/fundraisers× Holding a fundraiser <i>(not reportable until the money is spent on an eligible project)</i>× Activities that you are compensated for× Activities outside the current reporting period× Donations to Cancer Centers× Fundraisers for Dept. General Fund such as 365 Days of Giving/raffles× Hosting an event for Veterans where there is a charge× Donations to non-veteran specific charities× Quilts of Honor/Valor (Americanism)× Honor Flights (Americanism)× POW/MIA ceremony (Amer.)× Holiday Parades/Activities (Americanism)