

AUXILIARY OF THE YEAR

HIGHLIGHTED ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETED BY NOVEMBER 30, 2022
Monetary Donations to any project must be a minimum of \$10.00 to earn credit.

NOTE: Two reports (one per period) shall be required covering the following periods:

4/01/22 – 11/30/22 This report must be *received* by the Department Chairmen by December 31, 2022, to be considered for the Mid-Winter Conference Contest.

12/01/22 – 3/31/2023 This report must be *received* by the Department Chairmen by April 15, 2023, to be considered for the Convention contests.

BLANK REPORTS WILL NOT BE AWARDED POINTS

OPERATIONS / ADMINISTRATION

CONVENTION FUND

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| 1. Donation of prize to the Pre-Convention Jamboree | 2 Points |
| 2. Purchase of Pre-Convention Jamboree raffle tickets | 3 Points |
| 3. Participation in additional Convention Fund special fund raiser | <u>3 Points</u> |
| | 8 Points |

FINANCE

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| 1. Annual Auxiliary Finance Donation by November 30, 2022 | 5 Points |
| (Donations received after November 30, 2022 – 2 Points) | |
| 2. Annual Auxiliary Finance Donation of \$50.00 or more | 5 Points |
| 3. Financial participation in finance projects throughout the year (to be prorated) | <u>25 Points</u> |
| | 35 Points |

GOOD OF THE ORDER

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| 1. Member(s) attendance at the Program Kickoff | 3 Points |
| 2. Member(s) attendance at majority of District meetings | 2 Points |
| 3. Member(s) attendance at Department Mid-Winter Conference | 2 Points |
| 4. Donation to State President's Special Project | 3 Points |
| 5. Four (4) quarterly audits to Dept. Treasurer ON TIME (end of Aug., Nov., Feb. and May) | 2 Points |
| 6. Purchase of State President's pins | 2 Points |
| 7. Purchase of 25 or more State President's pins | <u>5 Points</u> |
| | 21 Points |

NATIONAL PROGRAMS

AMERICANISM

1. Utilize Americanism material/resources from National Auxiliary website 1 Point
2. Promote, participate in, recognize any patriotic day or branch of service birthdays 2 Points
3. American and/or POW/MIA flag presentation (must be at least 2" x 3") 2 Points
4. Issue certificates to businesses/citizens displaying U.S. or POW/MIA flag or other displays of American pride 1 Point
5. Conduct patriotic education in your Auxiliary and/or community 1 Point
6. Participate in a Loyalty Day program 1 Point
7. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) 2 Points
10 Points

AUXILIARY OUTREACH

1. Utilize Auxiliary Outreach material/resources from National Auxiliary website 1 Point
2. Volunteer / Partner with the following organization(s) during the year:
First Responders / Churches / Towns / Disaster relief
Cancer, Heart, ALS Association, etc. / Other 2 Points
3. Participate as a group to volunteer/partner with another organization not affiliated with the VFW or VFW Auxiliary 2 Points
4. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) 2 Points
6 Points

BUDDY POPPY / VFW NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN

Buddy Poppy:

1. Utilize the Buddy Poppy material/resources from National Auxiliary website 1 Point
2. Hold a Buddy Poppy drive with or without your Post 2 Points
3. Participate in the Department Program Kickoff display contest 1 Point
4. Participate in the Mid-Winter Conference display contest 1 Point

VFW National Home for Children:

5. Utilize the National Home material/resources from National Auxiliary website 1 Point
6. Promote the VFW National Home for Children 1 Point
7. Promote the VFW National Home's Helpline 1 Point
8. Purchase at least one National Home Life Membership 1 Point
9. Donate to Health & Happiness/Christmas Cheer Fund through National 2 Points
10. Donate to Massachusetts House through Department office 2 Points
11. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) 2 Points
15 Points

EXTENSION & REVITALIZATION

1. Utilize Extension & Revitalization material/resources from National Aux. website 1 Point
2. Presentation of Good Job Awards by your Auxiliary 1 Point
3. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) 2 Points
4 Points

HISTORIAN / MEDIA RELATIONS

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| 1. Utilize Historian material/resources from the National Auxiliary website | 1 Point |
| 2. Utilize Media Relations material/resources from the National Auxiliary website | 1 Point |
| 3. Have a Facebook page and/or Website (alone or with Post) | 1 Point |
| 4. Send monthly or quarterly newsletters to all members | 2 Point |
| 5. Hold a "how to" training to educate members on use of media | 1 Point |
| 6. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (1 point each report period) | <u>2 Points</u> |
| | <i>8 Points</i> |

HOSPITAL

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| 1. Member(s) attendance at the Hospital Workshop | 3 Points |
| 2. Donation to Department Hospital Fund (Hospital Pledge) | 2 Points |
| 3. Donation of \$50.00 or more to Department Hospital Fund | 5 Points |
| 4. Sponsor a party/function for any facility, both VA and non-VA | 2 Points |
| 5. Donate items to a medical center/soldiers home/community hospital or nursing home | 2 Points |
| 6. Promote, participate or host any activity listed:
Honors Escort / National Salute to Veterans Patients-Valentines for Veterans
Veterans Health Care (VHA) / Women Veterans Health Care Program | 2 Points |
| 7. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) | <u>2 Points</u> |
| | <i>18 Points</i> |

LEGISLATIVE

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| 1. Utilize the Legislative material/resources from the National Auxiliary website | 1 Point |
| 2. Subscribe to VFW's <i>Action Corps Weekly</i> | 1 Point |
| 3. Promote, participate or host activities regarding VFW Priority Goals | 1 Point |
| 4. Contact legislators on veterans issues by any means (emails, phone, letters, etc.) | 1 Point |
| 5. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) | <u>2 Points</u> |
| | <i>6 Points</i> |

MEMBERSHIP (recorded at National Headquarters by dates listed)

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| 1. 80% by September 30, 2022 | 12 Points |
| 2. 95% by November 30, 2022 | 12 Points |
| 3. 98% by December 31, 2022 | 12 Points |
| 4. 100% by January 31, 2023 | 7 Points |
| 5. 101%+ by April 30, 2023 | 5 Points |
| 6. Utilize Membership material/resources on National Auxiliary website | 1 Point |
| 7. Promote, participate or host activities on Auxiliary education and recruitment | 1 Point |
| 8. Educate members on benefits of membership | 1 Point |
| 9. Participate in recruiting event on any level | 1 Point |
| 10. Recruit at least one new member | 2 Points |
| 11. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) | <u>2 Points</u> |
| | 56 Points |

MENTORING FOR LEADERSHIP

1. Utilize the Mentoring for Leadership materials from the National Auxiliary website 1 Point
2. Educate members on the National Mentoring for Leadership Program Awards 1 Point
3. Member(s) fulfilling the role of Mentor 1 Point
4. Hold a special recognition for mentors in your auxiliary 1 Point
5. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) 2 Points
6 Points

SCHOLARSHIPS

1. Participate / Promote the Continuing Education Scholarship Contest 1 Point
2. Donate to the Continuing Education Scholarship Fund through National 1 Point
3. Participate / Promote the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest 2 Points
4. Donate to the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest through National 1 Point
5. Participate / Promote the 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest 2 Points
6. Donation to the 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest through National 1 Point
7. Assist Post by promoting or conducting the Patriot's Pen Essay Contest 2 Points
8. Assist Post by promoting or conducting the Voice of Democracy Audio Essay Contest 2 Points
9. Donate to the Bessie Hanken Youth Awards Fund (through Dept. office) 2 Points
Note: This fund covers the prize money for all Department youth contests.
10. Donation of \$50.00 or more to Bessie Hanken Youth Awards Fund 5 Points
11. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) 2 Points
21 Points

VETERANS AND FAMILY SUPPORT

1. Utilize Veterans & Family Support material/resources from National Aux. Website 1 Point
2. Promote, participate or host any VFW Program listed: 2 Points
 - a. Disaster Relief
 - b. Military Assistance (MAP)
 - c. National Veterans Service (NVS)
 - d. Unmet Needs
 - e. Veterans & Military Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness
3. Provide direct aid to veterans, service members and/or their families 2 Points
4. Participate in Wreaths Across America project 2 Points
5. Sponsor/donate to Veterans Voices Writing Project 1 Point
6. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) 2 Points
10 Points

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

1. Work with youth/youth groups during program year 1 Point
2. Award Youth Groups Supporting Over Veterans citations 2 Point
3. Participate in Patriotism through Literacy 2 Points
4. Promote the Red, White & Blue National Anthem Singing Contest 2 Points
5. Promote the Illustrating America art contest 2 Points
6. Submit required two (2) reports by deadline dates (one [1] point each report period) 2 Points
11 Points

TOTAL POINTS AVAILABLE FOR PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

235 POINTS

EXTRA CREDIT: Each VFW Auxiliary shall earn 15 additional points in the Awards Program by submitting the Auxiliary of the Year Report Form outlining only ONE PROJECT (big or small) ASSISTING VETERAN(S), THEIR FAMILIES OR YOUR YOUR COMMUNITY during this Administration. All your projects are worthwhile, but please just choose ONE to report here. 15 POINTS

TOTAL AUXILIARY OF THE YEAR AWARDS POINTS AVAILABLE 250 POINTS

NOTE: As you have the potential of 250 points, you will need at least 150 points to qualify for the \$10.00 awards and 175 points to qualify for the Auxiliary of the Year awards.

In addition for all awards (individual programs or Auxiliary of the Year), the Auxiliary must:

- have held at least 10 meetings this year**
- not be on suspension**
- have not be in arrears with National or Department**
- be up to date with audit reports**
- have officers elected, installed and recorded for the coming year**