

AUXILIARY OUTREACH
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Hoping everyone enjoyed Happy Holidays and are now ready to get back to the work of our Auxiliary. Did you make any New Year's resolutions? If not, let's make some now! 1. Resolve to find a group to partner with on a project for your community. 2. Keep track of your hours worked for that organization. 3. Report. Don't let these resolutions fall by the wayside!



I was so happy to see reports from many Auxiliaries about working at food pantries and helping with coat collections, etc. to help the needy over the holidays. Let's keep up with this important work all year round. It's so good to have a program that will get the word out to others that we are ready and willing to help with "Hands That Serve, Hearts That Care."



Pop up out of that hole and submit the Auxiliary Outreach Award form! So far, I have only received one entry out of the entire state! You can find the form at: vfwauxiliaryil.org > Programs > Auxiliary Outreach > 2022-2023-Auxiliary-Outreach-Award-No.-1. If you are unable to find the form, please let me know (email: cmilleraux6632@gmail.com)

and I will email a copy to you. It needs to be submitted to me by March 31, 2023, so don't delay!



Before you know it, Valentine's Day will be here. I'm sure there are many ways your Auxiliary can partner with a nursing home or assisted living facility to go and help the residents create Valentine crafts. Schools would probably love to get help with Valentine's parties, too. Show the ♥ we have for our communities by helping somewhere.

Please remember that Auxiliary Outreach is supposed to be something we do for other organizations, NOT for the Auxiliary, VFW Post, or Veterans, including the American Legion. Anything you do for Veterans should be reported under Veterans & Family Support. If you are hosting an event for children, that should be reported under Youth Activities or maybe Americanism. If the event can be reported under another program, it should not be reported under Auxiliary Outreach. Keep your "Boots on the Ground for Our Veterans" but show your support to your communities, too!