



Michigan Department VFW Auxiliary Membership Guide Sheet 2025-26

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National Theme: From Sea to Shining Sea Honoring Veterans Who Keep Us Free
Department Theme: We Don't Know Them All, But We Owe Them All

PROGRAM GOALS

Invite New Members – Include Current Members – Invest in the Future of the Organization



In my humble opinion, **nothing** says it more eloquently than our Department Theme: “We don’t know them all, but we owe them all.” This statement is right on target!

When we work together to invite new members and include current members, together, we help to keep our organization strong through healthy growth. New members of our organization will be contributing to helping our Veterans as an expression of how grateful they are to those who have kept us free.

National Awards for Members

1. **FIVE (5) MEMBER RECRUITER PIN.** Each VFW and VFW Auxiliary member who recruits five (5) new and/or rejoined members to the VFW Auxiliary will receive a 5 Member Recruiter Pin. Pins will be mailed directly to the recruiter.
2. **5 MEMBER RECRUITER DRAWING.** Each VFW and VFW Auxiliary member who recruits five (5) new and/or rejoined members to the VFW Auxiliary will be entered into the 5 Member Recruiter Drawing to receive a \$100 Visa Gift Card.
3. **“NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT” RECRUITER AWARD.** Each VFW and VFW Auxiliary member who recruits twenty (20) new and/or rejoined members to the VFW Auxiliary will receive a “National Membership Achievement” Recruiter Award. VFW Auxiliary Treasurers on all levels are not eligible for this award.
4. **“NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP ACHIEVEMENT” RECRUITER DRAWING.** Each VFW and VFW Auxiliary member who recruits twenty (20) new and/or rejoined members to the VFW Auxiliary will be entered into the “National Membership Achievement” Recruiter Drawing to receive a \$400 Visa Gift Card. VFW Auxiliary Treasurers on all levels are not eligible for this award.

New and/or rejoined members must be recruited to the VFW Auxiliary from July 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026. The Department Treasurer must enter membership into MALTA with credit given to the recruited by June 10, 2026.

VFW recruiters must complete the VFW Members Only recruiter form to be received at National Headquarters by June 10, 2026. Membership Award winners No. 2, No. 3 and No. 4 will be announced, and the awards will be presented at the 2026 National Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah. If the award winner is not in attendance, the award will be mailed directly to the winner from National Headquarters after National Convention.

National Awards for Auxiliaries

1. \$50 to each Auxiliary that reaches 100% Plus in Membership June 30, 2026.



National Awards for Departments

1. **BRONZE DEPARTMENT AWARD #1:** \$200 to each Department that reaches 95% Plus in paid membership by November 30, 2025.
2. **SILVER DEPARTMENT AWARD #2:** \$250 to each Department that reaches 98% Plus in paid membership by February 28, 2026.
3. **GOLD DEPARTMENT AWARD #3:** \$300 to each Department that reaches 100% Plus in paid membership by April 30, 2026.
4. **PLATINUM DEPARTMENT AWARD #4:** \$400 to each Department that reaches 102% Plus in paid membership by May 31, 2026.

Departments that receive the Platinum Department Award #4: \$400 ACH will still receive Gold Department Award #3: \$300 for a combined total of \$700.

Department District Awards

1. First District to reach 100% by November 30, 2025 will receive \$100.
2. First District to reach 101% by December 31, 2025 will receive \$100.
3. First District to reach 101% **PLUS** by March 31, 2026 will receive 100.

Department Auxiliary Awards

1. Every Auxiliary that reaches 100% by September 1, 2025 will be entered into a drawing for \$50. One winner will be drawn at the Fall Conference.
2. If your Auxiliary reaches 100% by December 31, 2025, your Auxiliary will be included in a drawing for another \$50. One winner will be drawn at Mid-Winter.
3. If your Auxiliary reaches 100% by March 31, 2026, your Auxiliary will be included in a drawing for another \$50. One winner will be drawn at the Department Convention
4. Each time an Auxiliary converts a member to a life member; they will receive an entry into the "Convert to Life Drawing". Five Auxiliaries will be drawn at the Department Convention, and they will receive \$50 each. Please see the flyer on the Department website for additional rules and details.
5. Any Auxiliary that reaches 102% **PLUS** will be entered into a drawing at the Department Convention for \$100. Three Auxiliaries will be drawn and receive \$100.

Department Member Awards

1. Any member who recruits 10 new and/or rejoined members by December 31, 2025 will be entered into a drawing at Mid-Winter for \$100. One winner will be drawn.
2. Any member who recruits 10 new and/or rejoined members by March 31, 2026 will be entered into a drawing at Department Convention for \$100. One winner will be drawn.
3. There will also be a drawing at Department Convention for the top three recruiters from the State. Each top recruiter will be awarded \$100. No organizers are eligible. Yes, treasurers are eligible.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

#1 -10-36	#2 -37-50	#3 -51-68	#4 - 69-84	#5 - 85-98
#6 - 99-115	#7 - 116-139	#8 -140-166	#9 -167-237	#10 -238-OVER

Achievements	Completed				Reported
Participated in a recruiting event					
Achieve 100% in membership by November 30, 2025					
Achieve 101% in membership by January 31, 2026					
Participate in "Adopt-A-Member" (dues angels) initiative					
Send out due's notices by August 1, 2025					
Convert Annual to Life					
Attend and register at a School of Instruction – District Meeting, Fall Conference or Mid-Winter Conference					
Attend and register at own District Meeting					
Report Every Quarter					

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