

# MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT VFW AUXILIARY

## AUXILIARY OUTREACH BULLETIN

### November 2023

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*National Theme: Banding Together for Our Veterans*

*Department Theme: Our Veterans the Angels Among Us*

Fall Conference is behind us all and we now look forward to the beautiful winter months that are upon us! If you attended Fall Conference I hope that you enriched yourself with the knowledge of others and networked with your fellow Auxiliary members. I know that I truly had an amazing time presenting to all that attended!

This month I want to focus on some good housekeeping to help you submit quality reports while trying to streamline the process. Many of you have reported fantastic opportunities, I am truly impressed with the groups that you are partnering with.

When reporting multiple activities within a single month you can consolidate these different activities into a single report rather than submitting a report for each activity. In the below image you can see that the “description” box contains the dates and information for the activities. The Cumulative Hours, Members and # of Projects is the combined total of all the listed activities in the description box.



By making this change in your submission process it will greatly reduce the amount of time to submit all of the quality Auxiliary Outreach reports. REMEMBER: An approved motion is required prior to the Auxiliary Outreach opportunity.

<input type="radio"/> Americanism	<input type="radio"/> Auxiliary Achievement	<input type="radio"/> Auxiliary Outreach
<input type="radio"/> Buddy Poppy ® /National Home	<input type="radio"/> District Achievement	<input type="radio"/> Extension & Revitalization
<input type="radio"/> Historian / Media Relations	<input type="radio"/> Hospital	<input type="radio"/> Membership
<input type="radio"/> Mentoring For Leadership	<input type="radio"/> Legislative	<input type="radio"/> Scholarships
<input type="radio"/> Veterans and Family Support	<input type="radio"/> Youth & Camp Trotter	

<b>Cumulative Hours*</b>	<b>Miles*</b>	<b>Members*</b>
<input type="text" value="56"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="text" value="22"/>
<b>Dollars Spent/Donated*</b>	<b>Poppies*</b>	<b>Youth*</b>
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<b>Chairman*</b>	<b># of Projects*</b>	
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**Description \***

11/6/23 - 6 members volunteered at Fish and Loves food panty  
 11/10/23 - 2 members Worked registration booth at local snowmobile meeting  
 11/19/23 - 1 member assisted at at the Special Olympics event  
 11/23/23 - 4 members volunteered at the food stand for community fair  
 11/30/23 - 9 members worked the adoption event for the Humane Society

# AUXILIARY OUTREACH

## December 2023

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With the Mid-Winter Conference next month now is the time to regroup and focus on completing many successful Auxiliary Outreach opportunities. Just because it's winter does not mean that the busy Auxiliary worker bees have taken a break! December is the time to reaffirm your volunteering and seek out groups that desperately need assistance during the cold months and holiday season. Put on that winter hat and scarf and get out there!

Consider looking into not only one but many local food/soup kitchens; these organizations are always looking for "workers" to assist them during this busy time. Reach out to your local groups regarding food distribution. As a worker bee you can assist in the packing of food boxes, distribution and much more.

***Now is the time to Bee the change and help others Bee successful!***

*When in doubt, shout!* If you ever have any questions please never hesitate to reach out and ask. If I don't know the answer I will get you one.

Thank you to all the Auxiliaries who are charging the way! You are an inspiration to me; it's because of your efforts that the Department of Michigan VFW Auxiliary Outreach is successful.

Some last minute ideas can include:

- Salvation Army
- Toys for Tots
- Meals on Wheels
- Local Santa's Workshop
- Rescue Missions

Does your Auxiliary struggle to find opportunities? Visit <https://www.volunteermatch.org/> to help locate and identify possible opportunities.

Wishing you and your family a safe and joyful holiday season!

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