

**Michigan Department VFW Auxiliary
"BUDDY"® POPPY & VFW NATIONAL HOME
FOR CHILDREN BULLETIN
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National Theme: Hands that Serve, Hearts that Care

Department Theme: Be the Anchor for Our Veterans, Hold Them Steady and Safe

It was so great seeing so many out there for the "Buddy"® Poppy Drive. From what I have heard and seen; it was a successful event! I know it has been hard these last couple of years getting out into our community, but it appears the climate is starting to change. Thank you for stepping out in your communities and promoting this important program!

"Buddy"® Poppy Program

Another great tool for you to use as you begin your year is the "Buddy"® Poppy Chairman's Manual. The manual can be found at <https://vfwauxiliary.org/resources/>. This manual offers a brief history of the "Buddy"® Poppy and how it became an integral part of the VFW Community. It also contains planning ideas, guidelines, ways to overcome adversity, how to order and why recognition is so important. A key point to remember as you begin your "Buddy"® Poppy program is to be enthusiastic. The enthusiasm that you demonstrate will inspire others to jump on board to support this great campaign of helping veterans and their families. Remember, never refuse someone a poppy because they are not able to contribute and poppies are distributed, not sold!

VFW National Home for Children

There are a few ways that you can start supporting the National Home now and with relative ease.

- AmazonSmile - Visit smile.amazon.com, sign-in to your account, choose the VFW National Home as your charity. AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible purchases to the National Home. Make sure the header on your Amazon page says AmazonSmile before you order.
- Kroger Community Rewards - Visit krogercommunityrewards.com/group to sign up. The group ID # for the National Home is #79329.

If you need assistance signing up for these, please don't hesitate to reach out!

VFW National Home Michigan Day will be August 7th. I will have a sign-up sheet available at the Department Convention for stations. Please support your District by lending a helping hand that day! More information will be forthcoming.

National Home Golf Outing is August 5th. If you would like to participate in the Golf outing, check out the VFW Department of Michigan website for the sign-up forms.

Don't forget to join our Facebook page at "Buddy"® Poppy/VFW National Home-Michigan to stay up-to-date on current happenings!

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