



American Legion Auxiliary Department of Texas Children & Youth 2021 - 2022 Program Action Plan

Goals for 2021-22

Expand on existing C & Y program(s) that is(are) working, identify additional resource people and community agency to help publicize. Plan an event and schedule on calendar.

Challenge! Identify a new area to explore. Plan 2 – 4 fun activities for children and youth with young people’s input. Hold the events.

Ideas for Events for School Children and ALA Juniors

- Competitions: Creative Arts contests
- Drawing - patriotic drawings
- Poetry and song contests – creative writing and performing
- Play writing and production of plays
- Interpretive dance – hip hop or other dances representing freedom, justice, etc.
- Arts and crafts – sewing, embroidering, quilting, woodworking, pottery, etc.

Fun activities

- Making patriotic cupcakes, ice cream, cookies.
- Creating and playing games – dealing with historic information, facts about 50 states, U.S. Constitution, facts about the three branches of government and the powers of each, voting rights, flag etiquette and flag folding, etc.

Challenge

\$100 donation to the unit that develops and implements the most creative/fun activities for children and youth by February 14, 2022.

Education ideas

Explore online sites to help teachers locate materials dealing with democratic principles and American values. For example: “Second Grade Social Studies – Making a Difference as a Citizen (vocabulary cards), Teaching Democracy with Poetry, Illinois Civic Virtues and Democratic Principles, Fundamental Principles of American Government

Outreach to Children and Youth and Community Agencies (recruit new members while networking)

Identify, locate, and connect with children advocacy groups at local, county, state, or federal levels.

Plan service projects that link children and youth to community agencies to aid veterans, their families, and others. (e.g., churches, schools/colleges, care centers, disability centers, sports clubs, etc.)

Challenge: How to promote and publicize ideas and programs – identify contact people, media and social networking sites

Planning Form

<u>What program is working?</u>	<u>Key People</u>	<u>Resources Needed to Expand</u>	<u>Expected Outcomes</u>
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Ways to Expand the program/event

<u>What new event can we add?</u>	<u>Key People</u>	<u>Resources Needed to Begin</u>	<u>Expected Outcomes</u>
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