AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM 2024-2025

******** PURPOSE: The purpose of the Community Service program is to promote the ALA'S commitment to making our communities better places to live by supporting local service projects and creating our own. STANDING RULES #6 NATIONAL COMMITTEES MISSION OUTREACH

What is community service? What does it mean to you? How can the Auxiliary have a successful Community Service program?

IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS:

Find new and creative ways to promote and do community service in your community. Continue to use

what works but think outside of the box for fresh new ideas.

Some ideas to consider----

VOLUNTEER--

Homeless shelters, Community Swimming Pools SUICIDE CRISIS LINES Boys and Girls Clubs Animal Shelters Habitat for Humanity

START OR VOLUNTEER ---Community Gardens Recycling Program Food Banks

OTHER IDEAS--

Become a mentor Deliver MEALS ON WHEELS Teach Tech Skills to the elderly (Retirement Homes)

OBSERVE AND PARTICIPATE IN--9/11 National Day of Service Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service American Legion Family Day

*** WATCH FOR HELPFUL HINTS IN OUR NEWS LETTERS ON HOW TO EXECUTE THESE PROJECTS

10 STEPS FOR STARTING A SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

- 1-- Find out what is needed in your Community
- 2-- See what you have the ability to do.
- 3—Choose a Project
- 4—Develop a plan
- 5-- Recruit your volunteers
- 6—Make a budget
- 7—Make a timeline
- 8—Raise money
- 9—Get Publicity
- 10—Do the Project
- ******* blog.prepscholar.com

YEAR END REPORTS--

Annual reports reflect the program work of the units in our Department and may result in District, Division and Department awards for participates. The top program report will be forward to National.

Pictures are allowed, please submit as attachment to narratives, format for submission and follow national guidelines (see National website)

DEPARTMENT AWARDS--

A Department award will be given to the Units with the best narrative report according to units size. This way even our smaller units have an opportunity to receive an award.

Unit size breakdown---

Small unit 10-50 members medium unit-- 51-99 members large unit-- 100-200 members x-large unit 201 plus

DEADLINES/IMPORTANT DATES

Unit Reports due to Department Committee Chairman by May 1, 2025

YOUR COMMUMITY SERVICE TEAM

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