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 VETERANS & FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM

Hello Auxiliary Members;

I would like to take this opportunity to thank President Barb for allowing me to take this program for the 2019-2020 year. I hope I have been able to provide some useful information about this program to our Auxiliary members.

As I started to receive the year end reports in my mail box, I was delighted to see what our Auxiliaries have been up to during the past year. I received write ups, pictures, cards, posters, etc. showing all the hard work. Our Auxiliaries provided support by donating money, meals, transportation, gifts, quilts, companionship and friendship to our veterans and our military families to the tune of $8384.00 and over 6852 veterans were helped. Now isn’t that a reason to toot our own horn? GREAT JOB! 24 Auxiliaries sent in yearend reports. I would encourage each Auxiliary to do SOMETHING. All Auxiliaries get the same information. Don’t let it overwhelm you. There are resources a phone call, text, email etc. away if you need help. A donation of any amount is countable! A ride to an appointment for a veteran or military family is countable! A card mailed to a veteran or a military family is countable! There is so much that we are able to do. There is no reason each Auxiliary isn’t able to do something. Doing something is better than doing nothing.

Keep up the good work for the upcoming year! It will be especially challenging in the upcoming year with the social distancing restrictions in place. As a family we (you and I) along with our Auxiliaries, need to continue our support for every veteran, service member, military child and military spouse in America. We need to be active, be present and be there for our veterans, service members and their families.

Stay safe, stay well and God Bless

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