

# VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY

## DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

### AUXILIARY OUTREACH

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#### ***What is Auxiliary Outreach?***

Auxiliary outreach is volunteer work performed by one member or group of members for the benefit of their community or it's institutions. It is a donation of time, not money. It is about partnering with other organizations in our communities.

- Be performed by people of any age, skill set or ability level.
- Benefit any group of people such as youth, senior citizens and those with disabilities.
- Benefit animals, the environment, and public spaces.
- Be done in communities of all types and sizes.

The first steps in making your auxiliary outreach program successful:

- Find local groups and organizations in need of assistance.
- Ask what your auxiliary can do to help them.
- **VOTE** at your auxiliary meeting to approve the activity.
- Form the partnerships
- Report the details.

#### **A few suggestions of qualifying activities**

Spending time in a local homeless shelter kitchen serving meals, bussing tables, or cleaning up.

Working with Police or Fire Departments on bicycle or home safety training.

Participating in walks that benefit other organizations as an event volunteer.

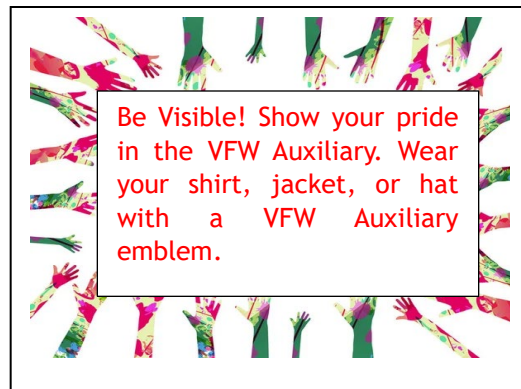
Help youth group collect food donations for a local food pantry.

Benefits of the outreach program:

- Helping others
- Learning new skills
- Meeting new people
- Personal growth
- Developing a sense of purpose



“Bee the Change”



#### **A few suggestions that do not qualify**

Taking comfort items to the local USO.

Sending an auxiliary check to support a charity.

Collecting clothing and comfort items for homeless veterans at the post home.

Passing the collection basket at church.

Buddy Poppy distribution.

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