

DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND VFW AUXILIARY



HOSPITAL PROGRAM

March 2024



It's time to recognize your accomplishments in the Hospital Program. See the following awards available to Auxiliaries, Volunteer Recruiters and Hospital Volunteers. See the award forms attached.

Hospital Award for Auxiliaries No. 1

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays.
 - Citation to every to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays. Citations will be mailed directly to the participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
 - Citation and \$25 to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences with the most outstanding activity and/or event recognizing veterans on non-traditional holidays. Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after VFW Auxiliary National Convention.



Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to me by March 31, 2024.

VFW Auxiliary National Hospital Volunteer Recruiter Award No. 1 & No. 2 Hospital Award No. 1 & No. 2 for VFW Auxiliary Members

No. 1 "Hospital Volunteer Recruiter" Citation to one VFW Auxiliary member in each of the ten (10) Program Divisions who recruits the most Hospital volunteers (VA and non-VA facilities) from July 1, 2023 to March 31 2024. Winners will be announced and citations presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

No. 2 "Hospital Volunteer Recruiter of the Year" Plaque awarded to one VFW Auxiliary member in the nation who recruits the most Hospital volunteers (VA and non-VA facilities) from July 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 Winner will be announced and the plaque presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

VFW Auxiliary National Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year

No. 3 “Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year” Citation to the Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year in each of the ten (10) Program Divisions. Winners will be announced and citations presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

Eligibility:

- Volunteer may be any VFW Auxiliary member who serves as a VFW Auxiliary Hospital Volunteer in any medical facility in your Department (VAMC, military, community, children’s hospital, nursing home, therapy center or clinic).
- Volunteer must serve from July 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024.
- Volunteer hours at VA and non-VA facilities may be combined for award purposes.
- VAVS Representatives and Deputies are also eligible to be considered as Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year.

Recent wish lists:

Perry Point item needs: Deodorant, full-size wash/shampoo combo bottles, shaving cream, simple crafts, laundry detergent (pods preferred)

Baltimore item needs: Razors, shaving cream, men’s and women’s underwear, socks, sweat pants, shampoo, deodorant, and soap.

Loch Raven item needs: Please contact LR CDCE staff for items needed.

Recent volunteer request:

Perry Point volunteer needs: Escorts for 9:00 a.m. Sunday Protestant Service, Wellness instructors (Tai Chi, Pilates, Zumba, Kick Boxing, Chair Aerobics), Recreation Therapy volunteers

























Baltimore volunteer needs: Afternoon Escorts, VTN Office Volunteers and drivers, Afternoon red coat ambassadors.

Loch Raven volunteer needs: Please contact LR CDCE staff for volunteer needs.

I’ve had some requests for Foley bag covers. Please see the pattern and instructions attached.

Planning Fun Days



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
						 1 Peanut Lovers Day	
 2 Academy Awards Night	 3 Peach Blossom Day	 4 Mardi Gras	 5 Cheese Doodle Day	 6 Oreo Cookie Day	 7 National Cereal Day	 8 Women's Day	
 9 Barbie Day	 10 Salvation Army Day	 11 World Plumbing Day	 12 Plant a Flower Day	 13 Popcorn Lovers Day	 14 Potato Chip Day	 15 National Quilting Day	
 16 Artichoke Day	 17 St. Patrick's Day	 18 Sloppy Joe Day	 19 Poultry Day	 20 Proposal Day	 21 Puppy Day	 22 Day of the Seal	
 23 Chip and Dip Day	 24 Chocolate Covered Raisins Day	 25 Waffle Day	 26 Purple Day	 27 Whiskey Day	 28 Barnum & Bailey Day	 29 Chiffon Cake Day	
 30 Pencil Day	 31 Clam in a Halfshell Day	DailyHolidayBlog.com					

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Hospital Award for Auxiliaries No. 1

Entry Form • 2023-2024 Program Year

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays.
 - **Citation** to every to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event that recognizes veterans on non-traditional holidays. Citations will be mailed directly to the participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
 - **Citation and \$25** to one Auxiliary in each of the four (4) Conferences with the most outstanding activity and/or event recognizing veterans on non-traditional holidays. Winners will be announced at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after VFW Auxiliary National Convention.

Auxiliaries are to send this completed form to their Department Hospital Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Auxiliary Name: _____ No.: _____

Department of: _____

Describe the outstanding activity and/or event recognizing veterans on non-traditional holidays. Please attach any additional information. (E.g., flyers, brochures, social media posts, newsletters, e-newsletters, handouts, photos, links to videos, etc.)

Department Hospital Chairman: _____ Date: _____
(signature)

April 30, 2024 - The Department Hospital Chairman is to sign and send the completed Department-winning entry form to National Hospital Ambassador Della Steege for judging.

AND

April 30, 2024 - The Department Hospital Chairman is to **email** National Headquarters at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined **list** of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.

Forms sent directly to National Headquarters will not be processed.



VFW Auxiliary National Hospital Volunteer Recruiter Award No. 1 & No. 2 2023-2024

Hospital Award No. 1 & No. 2 for VFW Auxiliary Members

No. 1 "**Hospital Volunteer Recruiter**" Citation to one VFW Auxiliary member in each of the ten (10) Program Divisions who recruits the most Hospital volunteers (VA and non-VA facilities) from July 1, 2023 to March 31 2024. Winners will be announced and citations presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

No. 2 "**Hospital Volunteer Recruiter of the Year**" Plaque awarded to one VFW Auxiliary member in the nation who recruits the most Hospital volunteers (VA and non-VA facilities) from July 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 Winner will be announced and plaque presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Membership No.: _____

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Auxiliary No.: _____ Department of: _____

Total number of volunteers recruited: _____ **Program Division Number:** _____

In case of a tie, please consider the below information.

How long has the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter been a hospital volunteer? _____

Total lifetime hours served as a hospital volunteer: _____

Number of hours served from July 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024. _____

VA and non-VA facilities where the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter volunteers. _____

What are the volunteer assignments? _____

What other Hospital programs has the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter participated in? _____

Auxiliary Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

Auxiliary Hospital Chairman will forward the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter form with the most total volunteers recruited to the Department Hospital Chairman by Friday April 5, 2024.

Department Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

The Department Hospital Chairman will forward the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter form with the most total volunteers recruited to the National Hospital Ambassador Della Steege by Tuesday April 30, 2024.

The National Hospital Ambassador Della Steege will select the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter with the most total volunteers recruited in each of the **ten (10) Program Divisions** to be recognized and **one** Hospital Volunteer Recruiter **in the nation** with the most volunteers recruited.



VFW Auxiliary National Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year nomination form 2023-2024

Hospital Award No. 3 for VFW Auxiliary Members

No. 3 "Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year" Citation to the Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year in each of the ten (10) Program Divisions. Winners will be announced and citations presented at the 2024 National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

Eligibility:

- Volunteer may be any VFW Auxiliary member who serves as a VFW Auxiliary Hospital Volunteer in any medical facility in your Department (VAMC, military, community, children's hospital, nursing home, therapy center or clinic).
- Volunteer must serve from July 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024.
- Volunteer hours at VA and non-VA facilities may be combined for award purposes.
- VAVS Representatives and Deputies are also eligible to be considered as Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year.

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's Membership No.: _____

Hospital Volunteer Recruiter's VFW Auxiliary No.: _____ Department of: _____

Total number of volunteers recruited: _____ Program Division Number: _____

How long has the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter been a hospital volunteer? _____

Total lifetime hours served as a hospital volunteer: _____

Number of hours served from July 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024. _____

VA and non-VA facilities where the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter volunteers. _____

What are the volunteer assignments? _____

What other Hospital programs has the Hospital Volunteer Recruiter participated in? _____

Auxiliary Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

Please attach a separate sheet with detailed information on why this VFW Auxiliary Member is an Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year.

Auxiliary Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

Forward nomination forms to your Department Hospital Chairman by March 31, 2024.

Department Hospital Chairman signature: _____ Date: _____

The Department Hospital Chairman will select ONE Outstanding Hospital Volunteer and forward it to the National Hospital Ambassador Mary Spindler by April 30, 2023.

The National Hospital Ambassador Della Steege will select **ONE** Outstanding Hospital Volunteer of the Year for each of the ten (10) Program Divisions to be recognized.

Foley Bag Covers

You will need two (2) pieces of fabric measuring 12 inches wide and 14 inches long.

Then:

1. Hem top of cover (12-inch opening). The top can be made to close using Velcro or snaps. I used two 5" pieces of sew-in Velcro on each piece.
2. Trim lower corners and hem the bottoms (4-inch opening).
3. Stitch straight and angled sides with right sides together. Be sure to leave the 4-inch hemmed bottom open.
4. Turn right side out and press.

