






Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary

Department of Maryland

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Auxiliary Outreach August Mailer 2025

Join *FORCES* with Our Communities!

	<p>Have you been thinking what your Auxiliary can do to get out into your community and get your Auxiliary's FORCE noticed?</p> <p>In the last newsletter I suggested ways to increase our community presence.</p>
	<p>Each month I'll have suggestions for opportunities to partner with organizations in different counties in Maryland. You are not limited to the suggestions! This is just to help start everyone's thought process.</p>
	<p>Reach out from the "FORCE of the LIGHT SIDE" to these organizations by using the intro letter included in this mailer. Let them know you're available and offer to help with their projects.</p>

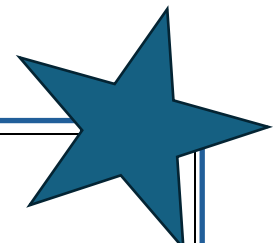
Allegany County	Organization Name	Organization address	Organization Phone#	Events
	Allegany County Habitat for Humanity, Inc.	33 East Main Street, Frostburg, Maryland, 21532	301-784-5154	Making Strides of Western Maryland: A walk to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer research, organized by the American Cancer Society, at Allegany College of Maryland on October 4, 2025.
	Allegany County Historical Society	218 Washington Street, Cumberland, Maryland, 21502	301-777-8678	Maryland Food Bank Mobile Market: Provides free healthy foods and resources at the Grantsville Library on the first Tuesday of each month. The next event is on August 5, 2025.
	Western Maryland Food Bank, Inc.	816 Frederick Street, Cumberland, Maryland, 21501	301-722-2797	20th Annual Appalachian Festival: Celebrating Appalachian culture at Frostburg State University, scheduled from September 18-20, 2025.
	YMCA of Cumberland, Maryland, Inc.	601 Kelly Road, Cumberland, Maryland, 21502	301-777-9622	Summer with Our Library 2025: The Allegany County Library System offers programs for all ages from June 9 to August 9, 2025
	Western Maryland Scenic Railroad Development Corporation	13 Canal Street, 2nd Floor, Cumberland, Maryland, 21502	301-759-4400	

Anne Arundel County	Organization Name	Organization address	Organization Phone#	Events
	Ann Arrundell County Historical Society, Inc.	5 Crain Highway, Glen Burnie, Maryland, 21061	410-760-9679	The Pasadena Fresh Mart The Y provides healthy food to our community through Y family center community food pantries called Y Fresh Mart. Food is also distributed through various Y Head Start locations and our Y Community School food pantries. March 11th - December 31st.
	Annapolis Jaycees Foundation	PO Box 248, Annapolis, Maryland, 21404-0248	410-921-0048	Anne Arundel County Literacy Council Book Fair. September 27th, 2025 2002 Annapolis Mall, Annapolis, MD 21401 Fundraiser book fair offering 100s of gently used books: \$2 hardback, \$1 paperback, \$25 for an all-you-can-carry book tote. Proceeds benefit our free adult education programs in Anne Arundel County.
	SPCA of Anne Arundel County	1815 Bay Ridge Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland, 21403	410-268-4388	Annapolis Rotary Crab Feast - Rotary Club of Annapolis - Aug. 1, 2025 Held at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, the Annapolis Rotary Crab Feast is an evening of crabs, barbecue, corn-on-the-cob, and plenty of beverages on a beautiful summer evening. Since 2005, the Rotary Club of Annapolis has awarded over \$1 Million Dollars in grants via the Crab Feast grant program and the proceeds from the event are donated to local charities.
	DeCesaris/Prout Cancer Foundation, Inc.	902 Pharma Court, Davidsonville, Maryland, 21035	240-508-3159	THE SAMUEL LOMAX FOUNDATION, INC. AND CEDAR - MORRIS HILL 5TH ANNUAL CANCER AWARENESS 5K RUN/WALK DATE Sun 21st September 2025 TIME10:30AM EDT , LOCATION Glen Burnie, Maryland
	Anne Arundel County Food Bank, Inc.	120 Marbury Drive, Crownsville, Maryland, 21032	410-923-4255	

Baltimore County	Organization Name	Organization address	Organization Phone#	Events
	Animal Allies Rescue Foundation	1234 Neighbors Ave, Rosedale, Maryland, 21237	443-461-4353	Aug 2nd. 8AM. Casey Cares 5k Run & Walk. The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore 1 Safari Plm Baltimore, MD 21217
	Believe Big Inc.	11350 McCormick Road, Executive Plaza 1, Suite 100, Hunt Valley, Maryland, 21031	888-317-5850	Chesapeake Patriot 5K Run and 1K Walk, Gunpowder Falls State Park - Hammerman Area 7200 Graces Quarters Road.
	Believe In Tomorrow National Children's Foundation, Inc.	6601 Frederick Rd, Baltimore, Maryland, 21228	410-744-1032	Middle River, MD 21220, Nov. 8 8:00 am - 11:30 am
	Maryland Food Bank, Inc.	2200 Halethorpe Farms Road, Baltimore, Maryland, 21227	410 737-8282	Catonsville Sunday Farmers Market, 15 Mellor Ave, Catonsville, M, D 21228. Sponsored by the Greater Catonsville Chamber of Commerce, every Sunday May 4th thru Nov. 23rd.



Auxiliary Outreach is not about volunteering FOR another organization. It's about volunteering WITH another organization- we want to join FORCES with our community as we show our pride in the VFWA. Don't forget to wear auxiliary swag.



What Counts

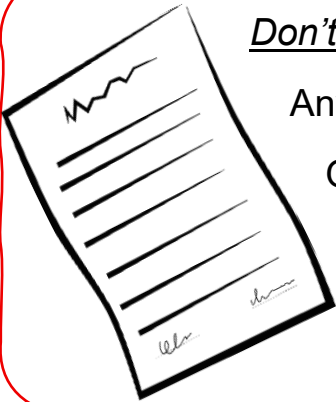
- 1. Partnering with Relay for Life to help hand out water and assist runners.**
- 2. Working with the local Red Cross to help register donors.**
- 3. Assisting the local SPCA at an Adopt a Pet event.**
- 4. Volunteering with a local fire department to help run monthly Bingo fundraisers.**



What Doesn't Count

1. Taking snack items to the USO.
2. Collecting clothing for a homeless shelter.
3. Running in a Relay for Life event.
4. Donating blood at a local blood drive.

Be Creative – Make it Fun!



Don't forget to report! I have a contest running till December.

Any auxiliary that sends me a picture of their participation in an Outreach event that they posted on social media using #Auxiliary Outreach will be entered in a drawing at Christmas conference for a prize.

So, let's be a **FORCE for our Veterans** as we get our brand out in our communities!

Kathy Williams, Auxiliary Outreach
Chairman



Your Letterhead

Date

Name of Business or Organization:

Since 1914 the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary has worked to improve the lives of veterans, service members, their families, and our communities. Our programs and projects are designed to bring them services, information, and assistance in a variety of ways from scholarships to legislative support. The members of the Auxiliary of ***Name of Your Post*** VFW Post ***Number*** in ***City*** are proud to be a unit in this national service organization.

The members of Auxiliary ***Number*** are dedicated to helping the ***Name of Your Community*** community. Through our Auxiliary Outreach National Program, we work with other organizations also providing community support. We would like to offer our time and energy to work with the ***Name of Business or Organization***.

We are asking you to reach out to our Auxiliary when you need volunteers for one of your programs or projects. As part of our Auxiliary Outreach Program, Auxiliary ***Number*** would volunteer to work *for you* to help make *your* projects successful. Contact our Program Chairman:

Name

Phone

e-mail

The members of the Auxiliary to ***Name of Your Post*** VFW ***Number*** look forward to helping the ***Name of Business or Organization*** make the ***Name of Your Community*** area an even stronger community.

President's Signature

President

VFW Auxiliary ***Number***