Millions of hours of Auxiliary outreach service are volunteered annually for veterans and military families. Will you step up and join us?

Read more about the American Legion Auxiliary at www.ALAforVeterans.org.

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ALA GIRLS STATE
American Legion Auxiliary units in all 50 states proudly host ALA Girls State, an amazing week of learning focused on responsible citizenship, leadership, and love for God and country. Female high school students who have completed their junior year are competitively selected and sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary units for this program, where they learn about the political process by electing officials for all levels of state government and actively running a mock government. The girls are assigned to mock cities and either the “Federalist Party” or “Nationalist Party.” Assistance from dedicated ALA volunteers ensures the program’s nonpartisan governmental, patriotic, and civic objectives are carried out through interactive learning. Though the week is filled with many learning opportunities, there is always time for fun and the formation of long-term friendships.

The art of civil debate is one of the main skills learned at this premier program, and ensuring educated leaders for future generations. www.ALAforVeterans.org/ALA-Girls-State

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YOUTH
The American Legion Auxiliary offers thousands of dollars in scholarships at the national level, including:
- Fifteen $5,000 Children of Warriors National Presidents’ Scholarships for direct descendants of U.S. wartime veterans.
- Five $5,000 Spirit of Youth Scholarships for Junior members of the ALA. Learn more about eligibility and other scholarship opportunities: www.ALAforVeterans.org/scholarships

Additional scholarships are offered in each ALA department (state) and through many community ALA units and Legion posts. Please contact your local American Legion Auxiliary unit for more information. Also available:
- The James H. Parke Memorial Scholarship awarded to a student who has volunteered at least 100 hours at a Veterans Affairs medical center.
- The Samsung American Legion Scholarship, awarded to ALA Girls State and American Legion Boys State participants who are direct descendants of wartime veterans.
- National Presidents’ Scholarships for direct descendants of wartime veterans.
- www.legion.org/scholarships/Samsung

ALA OPPORTUNITIES TO ENHANCE COMMUNITIES BEYOND OUR LEGION FAMILY
To recognize and reward the positive actions of our youth, the American Legion Auxiliary has two special national awards which are presented locally to deserving youth who are under age 18:
- The Youth Hero Award recognizes youth who perform a heroic act of physical bravery. The Good Deed Award is for youth who contribute in a special way to society through community service. More information: Children&Youth@ALAforVeterans.org
- ALA Americanism Essay Contest (grades 3 to 12): Students explore the fundamental rights and freedoms we enjoy today. Each year’s contest has a different theme; one student in each category per division is awarded a prize.

There is a category for students with special needs. More information: Americanism@ALAforsVeterans.org

National Poppy Poster Contest (grades 3 to 12): Students showcase their artistic talents on an 11”x14” poster board using the poppy. One student in each category per division will be selected as a winner. Students’ artwork will be showcased on the ALA’s national website. More information: Poppy@ALAforVeterans.org

The American Legion Oratorical Contest encourages deeper knowledge and appreciation for the U.S. Constitution among high school students under age 20. More than $138,000 in scholarships is awarded each year to participants by The American Legion National Organization. More information: Oratorical@Legion.org

American Legion Baseball instills in the nation’s youth a sincere desire to develop within themselves a feeling of citizenship, sportsmanship, loyalty, and team spirit. More information: www.Legion.org/Baseball

The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports is a gun safety education and marksmanship program for male and female high school students. More information: Juniorshoooting@Legion.org

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