

## Fall Report

### **Community Service**

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X

Disaster Relief

Legion Riders

Public Relations

Religious Emphasis

Sons of American Legion Liaison

State Fair/Veterans Day

Legislative Commission

Flag Alliance

### **VETERANS SERVICES**

Veterans Employment & Education Commission

Gifts to the Yanks who Gave

Hospital Services

National Cemetery/Monument ([cem.va.gov](http://cem.va.gov))

Poppy Sales/Production

Technology

Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

Veterans Assistance Liaison

Veterans' Home Advisory

### **YOUTH & FAMILY**

Americanism Commission

American Legion Baseball

Boy Scout Committee

Children & Youth

Premier Boys State

Safety Law & Order

Education Scholarships/Awards

Temporary Financial Assistance

### **SUPPORT THE TROOPS**

National Security

X

POW/MIA

### **DEPARTMENT**

Internal Affairs

Finance

## Community Service Committee Report: September 27, 2024.

The Community Service Committee has prepared this first report for the 2024-25 year for the Department of Illinois. The Committee held a Zoom call meeting September 26, 2024 for the purpose of discussing the goals and the actions we plan to take this year. The Committee is Jerry Howard, Chairman, Josefina Frances, Vice Chairman, Gary Reynolds, Ron Hoffman and William Seward.

The following is a description of the discussions, the recommendations and plans for this year.

1. The \$3,715.00 budget was recommended for the year. This is the same as previous years.
2. The brochure we had last year will be updated for the current year. Photographs of last year's winners will be inserted into the brochure. No major wording changes were recommended for the brochure. We will ask all 2024-25 winners for new photos of themselves for our use.
3. Jerry Howard and Josefina Frances will work together to come up with new guidelines and suggestions for Post Scrapbooks. We would like to see more continuity for the scrapbook entries.
4. The Committee agreed to submit for review by the Department of Illinois a new award program called "Commander's Post Achievement Award". The award will go to Posts that have completed an outstanding single activity/project in their community. A full description of the new award rules and procedures are about finished. Shandi Green has agreed to design the certificate. The Committee believes the program will become a big success statewide.
5. The Committee would like for more of the photos of award winners to be added to Facebook. We will continue to work with Department to learn more.
6. The Committee agreed that we should continue to use all communication resources used last year (like Constant Contact, Zoom calls, emails) to contact our Posts about the Community Service Committee Programs. We will continue to communicate with Posts at all levels (Department, Division, County, District).
7. The Committee agreed to continue more Zoom calls this year. No next meeting date was set. All members agreed to meet as often as needed.

Submitted by the Community Service Committee.

For Veterans, Youth and Community,

Jerry Howard

Chairman

# NATIONAL SECURITY REPORT.

8-28-2024

Meeting Convened at 10:00am

Roll call- All present.

Send emails to all members of the Committee.

Budget is same as last year.

Reach out to Schools.

Zoom call for future meetings. (Celeste)

All forms for Committee- update emails.

Hezbollah leaders eliminated National Security concerns for US citizens.

Updated National Security web page, David Scott to be contacted (POC) for School award requests.

Remember to vote in the upcoming general election.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45am