

**Purpose:** The purpose of the AEF Committee is to raise funds for and promote knowledge about the Auxiliary Emergency Fund. Standing Rule 6, National Committees – Member/Organizational Support.

## **Key Program Statements:**

- The Auxiliary Emergency Fund (AEF) is a national grant assistance program that provides hardship and disaster emergency assistance to eligible members of the American Legion Auxiliary up to \$3,000 as the result of an act of nature or other personal crisis
- Disaster funds may be awarded for damage to the interior/exterior of the vital livable portion of the member's primary structure, contents and/or for essential emergency expenses after the disaster based on proper documentation provided.
- Hardship funds may only be awarded for over/past due primary shelter expenses, basic household utilities and/or loss of income based on proper documentation provided.
- Members of the American Legion Auxiliary whose dues are current and who have maintained annual membership for three consecutive years (the current year in which the application is submitted and immediate past two years) and have not been awarded an AEF grant (disaster or hardship) in the previous twelve months are eligible to apply for a grant.

**Looking for Ideas?** Go to: https://www.facebook.com/groups/AuxEmergencyFund/ OR Contact AEF Committee: AEF@ALAforVeterans.org

Unit Awards due to Department Chair by APRIL 1, 2025. Report Due Dates: Unit End of Year Report due by APRIL 1, 2025 Donations accepted all year!

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