



## **2019-2020 Program Action Plan ALA Foundation**

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Established in 2007, the American Legion Auxiliary Foundation (ALAF) is a nonprofit 501(c)3 public benefit corporation. It is comprised of elected, designated, and appointed directors, and founded to assist in carrying out the educational, charitable, and other exempt purposes of the American Legion Auxiliary by raising funds for, assisting in conduct of, and providing support to the Auxiliary's programs.

**ALA National President Nicole Clapp's focus for 2019-2020 is the health and well-being of our veterans, military, and their families. Here are a few ways to help using the ALA Foundation:**

Bone and muscle injuries make up half of all combat wounds sustained in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. \* Over the years, assistive technology has proven to be beneficial to veterans adapting to a prosthetic limb or dealing with traumatic brain injury.

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs reports that in the past two decades, the number of veterans using prosthetics, sensory aids, and other equipment has increased more than 70 percent, allowing more of these men and women to be more independent.

The American Legion Auxiliary Foundation can help veterans in your area transition back into civilian life. If your Auxiliary unit, district/county, or department knows of a specific, emergent need for your local veterans or active military, the ALA Foundation Veteran Projects Fund may be able to lend a helping hand.

Please join us in providing veterans with the support they so desperately need and deserve to regain confidence and mobility. Visit [www.ALAFoundation.org/Grants](http://www.ALAFoundation.org/Grants) to learn more about what you can do.

*\*According to the National Institute of Health*

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### Why support the American Legion Auxiliary Foundation?

The ALA Foundation positively impacts the lives of our veterans, military, and their families by funding programs of the American Legion Auxiliary today and for future generations. The ALA Foundation supports our veterans, military, and their families through three funds:

- **Mission Endowment Fund:** The ALA Foundation provides a way to secure our legacy and heritage of Service Not Self, ultimately enhancing the quality of life for future generations of veterans, military, and their families. As an endowed fund, the monies are permanently restricted so that future generations may benefit from Auxiliary programs that support all of our veterans and promote education, good citizenship, and outreach to veterans facing tough challenges. Your donation today will help ensure we're here to help veterans tomorrow.
- **Veteran Projects Fund:** Make a direct impact on veterans, military, and their families in your community through the Veteran Projects Fund. Each unit, district/county, and department is eligible to apply for a grant to support new, one-time needs of their local veterans. Donations collected for this fund directly benefit our nation's heroes in need.
- **Veterans Creative Arts Festival (local and national):** The arts can be powerful therapy, and the American Legion Auxiliary recognizes that. Both locally and nationally, the Auxiliary co-presents amazing events that assist veterans in healing from both their physical and psychological wounds through the creative arts. Each year, the artistic achievements of veterans being treated at U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs facilities across the country are displayed for all to see. With your gift, the show can go on.

### How to support the ALA Foundation

- **Checks** can be made payable to ALA Foundation and mailed to:  
American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters  
Attention: Development Division  
8945 N Meridian St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46260

***Note:** Make sure to designate which fund you wish to have your donation credited to if you have a preference.*

- **Online Contributions** can be made at [www.ALAFoundation.org/donate](http://www.ALAFoundation.org/donate)
- **Planned Giving** is the process of thoughtfully including a charitable gift in your estate plans. It is a method of establishing your legacy of support for the organization you love while providing for your current financial needs. You can help ensure that the American



Legion Auxiliary has a lasting impact for the generations that follow by providing for the continuation of our many programs and services that enhance the lives of those we serve.

A brochure on Planned Giving can be downloaded at [www.ALAFoundation.org](http://www.ALAFoundation.org).

- **Matching Gifts** could double your donation as many companies and foundations offer matching gift programs — doubling the funds donated by employees, members, or trustees. Your \$25 donation to the American Legion Auxiliary Foundation could become a \$50 contribution. Or \$50, matched by your company, would turn into \$100. So, as you donate to help our veterans, military, and their families, find out if a matching gift program is available where you work.
- **Tributes and Memorials** in honor or memory of a loved one is a lasting way to celebrate how much a person's life means to the donor. Donating in lieu of flowers celebrates a loved one's life by supporting the outreach of the American Legion Auxiliary's mission and patriotic values. When you make a memorial donation to the ALA Foundation, the person or family you are honoring will receive an acknowledgment from National Headquarters informing them of your gift without disclosing the amount.

#### **How to receive grant funding from the ALA Foundation**

The American Legion Auxiliary Foundation provides financial assistance to ALA entities (unit, department, district/counties) from three different grants:

- **Veteran Projects Fund Grants:** Specific, emergent needs that support the ALA mission may qualify for this type of grant.
- **Sub Grants:** If your ALA entity has funding that requires the recipient to be a 501(c)3, this grant can help.
- **Veterans Creative Arts Festival Grants:** Veterans Creative Arts Festival mini grants can aid in the therapeutic wellbeing of veterans by introducing them to art therapy.

See grant application details at [www.ALAFoundation.org](http://www.ALAFoundation.org). Questions? Contact us at [ALAFoundation@ALAforVeterans.org](mailto:ALAFoundation@ALAforVeterans.org).