

VA&R – Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

ACTION PLAN 2026-2027

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In a time where the American Legion Family working together to serve both active-duty veterans and their families as well as those who are no longer actively serving, the Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation volunteers have become evermore important. The most important mission for these volunteers is to serve ALL veterans.

This mission may be carried out in various ways:

- Encouraging Auxiliary members to become actively involved by volunteering at VA Health Care Facilities (VAHS)
ALA members are also encouraged to volunteer at both State and Local Medical Facilities as well. (Service to Veterans). Information regarding this can be found in the booklet “Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation: A Guide for Volunteers”.
<https://www.legion-aux.org/member/guides/volunteer-guide>
Assisting and supporting veteran caregivers, family and survivors.
- Participate with American Legion Family groups and outside organizations in encouraging veterans to participate in arts, crafts and hobbies. This can be done through workshops or events either local or at veteran facilities. The 2027 National Veterans Creative Arts Festival Theme is GROWTH.
- Collaborate with organizations that support veterans and their families, such as Wreaths Across America, Honor Flight Inc., and the Military and Veteran Caregiver Network. This may also include job fairs and other employment opportunities for both veterans and their families.
- Support The American Legion’s Be the One mission. Create your own or take part when other members of the Legion Family create events highlighting the Be the One Mission. Participate in Buddy Checks.

Reports:

Unit Year-end reports due to Districts by April 1, 2027.

District Reports due to Department by April 15, 2027.

Department Chair reports due to National Committees by May 15, 2027.