

2018/2019 COMMUNITY SERVICE CONTEST RULES

CONTEST #1

START DATE: MAY 1, 2018

END DATE: APRIL 30, 2019

THERE WILL BE FOUR (4) DIVISIONS

DIVISION 1 – POSTS WITH MEMBERSHIP OVER 551

DIVISION 2 – POSTS WITH MEMBERSHIP OF 351 TO 550

DIVISION 3 – POSTS WITH MEMBERSHIP OF 151 TO 350

DIVISION 4 – POSTS WITH MEMBERSHIP UNDER 150

DO NOT TURN IN A MULTIPLE MONTH REPORT

QUALIFYING POSTS MUST TURN IN A REPORT EVERY MONTH WITH ENTRIES IN ALL (4) CATEGORIES:

COMMUNITY SERVICE, AMERICANISM, SAFETY, AND YOUTH

The top three (3) VFW Posts in each division to properly have their reports in by the deadline date of April 30, 2019 with the most cumulative total of dollars and hours for all categories will be awarded a gift certificate for the Emblem & Supply Merchandise catalog in the amount of \$75.00.

If you have any questions, please contact me by one of the following:

Chairman: Donald Ramsey, 45 Reno Road, Hermitage, PA 16148

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CONTEST ENDS ON APRIL 30, 2019

CONTEST #2

The **FIRST TEN (10)** Districts VFW Chairmen who have their District reported at 100% will receive a Special Gift from State Commander Dwight Fuhrman at the Department of PA VFW Convention in June, 2019.

The **FIRST THREE (3)** District VFW Auxiliary Chairmen who have their District reported at 100% will receive a Special Gift from State Commander Dwight Fuhrman at the Department of PA VFW Convention in June, 2019.

CONTEST #3

COMMUNITY SERVICE RECORD BOOK

“RECORD BOOKS ONLY” NO CD’S WILL BE JUDGED THIS YEAR.

JUDGING will be held at the Aux. President’s Testimonial.

All Community Service Record Books will be on displayed at the 2019 Department Convention so everyone can see all the hard work that is put into them and also give everyone an idea on how to complete a Community Service Record Book..

State Commander Thomas (Ace) Hanzes will award the following to the winning VFW Posts:

1st Place - \$100.00

2nd Place - \$75.00

3rd Place - \$50.00

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

COMMUNITY SERVICE GUIDE 2018-2019

This is a step-by-step guide to assist you in completing the Community Service Report.

Every Post in our State does so much for the Community where we live and work that goes unreported. We should report our activities at least one time, but as often as necessary.

One question: Why do we have to report these activities?

Answer: We are a non-profit organization and we can justify our non-profit status by reporting our activities. A copy of this report should be on file at your VFW Post in the event you are audited.

Remember, the VFW is not just a bar or a place to shoot pool. You don't see your neighborhood tavern putting on a military funeral, going to the schools and putting on programs for our future leaders. This is our responsibility and we should make it known what we do. We are the Veterans of Foreign Wars, "Serving the Living by Honoring the Dead."

Please use the following guidelines to assist you in completing the Community Service Report:

First, at the bottom of each category you'll see totals of money spent. Add up all the materials and the time utilized for completing the projects, even if it was an item left over from another project and assign a monetary value to it. Example: if you donate your hall to be used for Cub Scouts, Senior Citizens, etc., report what it would have cost to rent it. Remember you supplied the utilities and the building.

Second, keep track of the number of hours that were spent to complete each project.

Third, keep track of the number of VFW and VFW Auxiliary Members who participated. Example, we all attend Memorial Services or Military Funerals. Keep a small log and a list of individuals who participated.

The Community Service Category is divided into four areas and each one is very important and needs to be completed. Check each project that you complete and put the number of projects, hours and members on the line following the project. At the bottom of the section enter the grand total for that category. If additional space is needed, for a description of the project, attach a separate sheet of paper.

FOR EXAMPLE:

1. Organized and assisted in blood drive = 1. Blood drive, 20 hours, 5 members; \$ ___ spent.

A. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

1. Involved in or helped to organize a blood drive.
2. Involved in or helped to organize a recycling program.
3. Pick up of trash along the streets or plant flowers around town or post.
4. Donation to a local park or sportsman's fish rodeo.
5. Offered your club to be used to hold classes for CPR, PLCB meetings or other functions.
6. National sponsored programs.



DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
PROGRAMS REPORT FORM

UNWAVERING SUPPORT



FOR UNCOMMON HEROES

POST/AUX. _____ DISTRICT 18 _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. AFTER OPENING THE FORM, SAVE A COPY TO YOUR COMPUTER.
 2. COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BY FILLING OUT ALL APPLICABLE AREAS.
NOTE: NOT ALL SECTIONS NEED TO BE FILLED OUT.
 3. BEFORE CLOSING THE FORM – **SAVE THE DOCUMENT AGAIN!**
NOW YOU WILL HAVE A COMPLETED FORM ON YOUR COMPUTER.
 4. NOW YOU CAN EITHER PRINT AND MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM OR SEND IT VIA EMAIL TO YOUR CORRESPONDING CHAIRPERSON.
- NOTE: IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU SAVE A BLANK VERSION OF THE FORM AND THEN CREATE A NEW FILE FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT FORM YOU COMPLETE. EACH FILE SHOULD BE RENAMED SO THAT YOU KEEP COPIES OF ALL COMPLETED FORMS.*

A. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

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| 1. ORGANIZED AND ASSISTED IN A BLOOD DRIVE | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 2. RECYCLING PROGRAM | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 3. ADOPT A HIGHWAY | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 4. ORGANIZED CPR CLASS | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 5. OTHER COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROJECTS | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |

B. COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

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| 1. ASSISTED OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 2. ASSISTANCE TO VA OR HOSPITAL | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 3. OTHER COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS PROJECTS | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |

C. AID TO OTHERS:

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| 1. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL/NURSING HOME VOLUNTEERS | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 2. SENIOR CITIZENS | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 3. SPECIAL NEEDS INDIVIDUALS | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 4. OTHER AID TO OTHERS PROJECTS | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |

D. SCHOOL AND CHURCH ASSISTANCE:

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| 1. VOLUNTEER IN SCHOOL/CHURCH | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 2. SPEAKER IN SCHOOL/CHURCH | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 3. ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOL/CHURCH | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |
| 4. OTHER SCHOOL/CHURCH ASSISTANCE PROJECTS | HOURS SPENT _____ MONEY SPENT _____ |

TOTAL OF HOURS/MONEY FOR SECTIONS A/B/C/D HOURS _____ MONEY _____

ANY COMMENTS OR ADDITIONAL EXPLANATIONS SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM AND MAILED TO THE VFW STATE COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAIRMAN OR THE VFW AUXILIARY COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAIRMAN AT THE ADDRESS PROVIDED ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM.

AMERICANISM PROJECTS COMPLETED:

1. HONOR GUARD	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
2. COLOR GUARD	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
3. CONDUCTED A GET OUT THE VOTE PROGRAM	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
4. VETERANS DAY PROGRAM	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
5. PEARL HARBOR DAY PROGRAM	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
6. LOYALTY DAY PROGRAM	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
7. MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
8. VFW PROGRAMS (ARTHRITIS/BUDDY POPPY/ DIABETES/NATIONAL HOME/ETC.)	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
9. HELPING VETERANS	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
10. OTHER AMERICANISM PROJECTS	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____

TOTAL HOURS/MONEY FOR AMERICANISM PROJECTS HOURS _____ MONEY _____

NATIONAL SAFETY PROJECTS COMPLETED:

1. DRUG AWARENESS	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
2. RECREATIONAL SAFETY	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
3. HIGHWAY SAFETY	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
4. HOME/FIRE SAFETY	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
5. ASSISTING POLICE/FIRE DEPT.	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
6. OTHER SAFETY PROJECTS	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____

TOTAL HOURS/MONEY FOR SAFETY PROJECTS HOURS _____ MONEY _____

YOUTH ACTIVITY PROJECTS COMPLETED:

1. SPORTS/ATHLETICS	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
2. SCOUTING	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
3. V.O.D. ESSAY CONTEST	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
4. PATRIOT'S PEN ESSAY CONTEST	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____
5. OTHER YOUTH PROJECTS	HOURS SPENT _____	MONEY SPENT _____

TOTAL HOURS/SPENT FOR YOUTH PROJECTS HOURS _____ MONEY _____

PREPARED BY: _____ DATE _____

**TITLE: _____ DISTRICT # _____
POST# _____**

Mail to VFW: Dave "Spike" Gyger
Community Service Chairman
VFW District 18
111 Cameron Ave
Hummelstown, PA 17036

MAIL THIS FORM DIRECTLY TO THE VFW 18 District SERVICE CHAIRMAN ----- DO NOT MAIL TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS