



Veterans & Family Support

October 2026



Unmet Needs

(National Military Service & National Veteran Service)

Mail Check to:

Veterans of Foreign Wars
406 W. 34th Street

Kansas City, Missouri 64111

Where to make your Donations

When mailing a check, make sure notate in the memo line where you would like the money to go.

Your donation helps with:

VA Claims & Separation Benefits



Owned and operated by the VFW. Helps Veterans with VA disability Benefits and Pension Claims. All Funds donated to NMS & NVS helps Veterans and Veteran Family households.

VFW Accredited Service Officers helps with:

Writing up the Claims and filing Claims

VA Hearing and Appeals

Pre-Discharge filing of claims

A lifetime of advocacy from first claim to survivor benefits.

A little knowledge can go along way in helping our Veterans.



Disaster Relief

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Veterans of Foreign Wars Disaster Relief

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What can you do with your post to help with disaster relief?

Hold a fundraiser

Have a dinner where the profits go towards Disaster relief.

It is Halloween, do a 50/50 and have the funds go towards your Disaster Relief

In the past the posts and auxiliaries have purchased clothing, food, hygiene items, water and donated money to the victims. We always help our Veterans, their families and our community during a crisis.

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October Awareness Month

October is a month where the air should be starting to get cooler and ghouls and goblins come out to play. Here is some information for the month of October that might give you some ideas to celebrate with your Post and Community:

October is Breast Cancer Awareness month, and we will turn the fountain pink at Fall Conference. It is also ADHD and Down Syndrome Awareness month. Approximately 17% of military families have been diagnosed with ADHD compared to only 12% of the civilian population. 10% to 15% of military families have dependent children with special needs or special medical needs. The available support system is *Exceptional Family Member Program* (EFMP). Military families caring for loved ones with special needs can get free, confidential support through Military OneSource. Expert consultants help navigate TRICARE, EFMP, education, care resources and more. Call [800-342-9647](tel:800-342-9647).

This is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, domestic violence is higher in veterans with PTSD, traumatic brain injury, depression and trauma. October 1st through the 7th is Mental Health Awareness week.

VFW Mental Health Awareness Campaign is a project to bring awareness to Veterans with Mental health problems while giving veterans the tools to help other veterans in crisis. Remember the Veterans Crisis line # 988.

"Socktober" is a great time to collect new socks for Veterans at the VA, homeless shelter, or veterans center.

Navy's Birthday October 13th, why not have a birthday party for all your Navy veterans.

National Day of Deployed is October 26th. It honors service members deployed overseas and recognizes the families of those that are deployed.

Halloween October 31st: do a trunk or treat and hand out flyers listing the programs that the VFW & its Auxiliary offer. This is a great time to work on your membership.

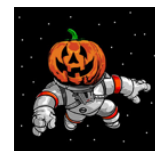
November Awareness

National Veterans and Military Month

Marine Corps Birthday November 10th

Veterans Day November 11th

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