Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Auxiliary

Unwavering Support for Uncommon Heroes

VFW Spectre Post Auxiliary 11367 Mary Esther, Florida 2017-2018 FACT SHEET



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About Us/Program Statistics

We are the nation's oldest veterans' service organization auxiliary. Our members are relatives of those who have served in overseas combat. For more than 100 years, we have been supporting the Veterans of Foreign Wars, spreading patriotism nationwide, and proudly serving veterans, the military and their families, and our community in honor of the sacrifices and commitment of every man and woman who has served in uniform.

"This gives me a chance to support those who have, and are, serving to protect our freedoms." Rachel L.

Veterans & Family Support

- 481 Veterans and Military assisted
- \$35,000 raised to assist local veterans and military families
- 3 Buddy Poppy Drives held
- Volunteered at Homeless
 Veterans Stand Down
- 9 Hand-made blankets donated to Fisher House on Eglin AFB
- Adopted a local Active-Duty Military Unit
- Made and distributed "Thank You for Your Service cards
- 9 bicycles donated to A-A-U

Youth Activities

- Local youth groups submitted for national citations: 3
- Total youth worked with: 235
- Total youth groups worked with: 4
- Number of R.A.P. cards presented to youth: 68
- Collected and donated Back to School Supplies to local schools

Americanism

- Patriotic Programs conducted locally: 12
- Number of American flags given locally: 242
- Number of POW/MIA flags given locally: 26
- Recognized Citizenship Teachers of the Year: 3
- Number of certificates presented to local business and families for flying the flag: 10
- Pledge of Allegiance Bookmarks to local students: 52

Legislative

Members participating in Legislative actions: 12

Membership 120



Scholarships

- Promoted scholarship competitions: Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen essays, Young American Creative Patriotic Art
- 87 Entries received
- \$975 Awarded

Hospital

- Hospital Volunteer hours: 88
- Suicide Awareness campaign