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# VFW AUXILIARY

## **Veterans & Family Support**

**2018-2019**

**National Ambassador**

***Donna Mills***



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## National Veterans Service (NVS)

- The VFW's National Veterans Service (NVS) helps veterans, service members and their families obtain the benefits they deserve – at no cost.
- NVS provides a nationwide network of 300 VFW Service Officers who can help veterans navigate the Veterans Affairs System. Those VFW Service Officers recover **BILLIONS** of dollars annually in VA benefits for veterans and their dependents.
- NVS works to ensure veterans receive quality, timely and accessible VA Healthcare.



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## National Veterans Service (NVS)

Donate to VFW Veterans and Military Support Programs by sending funds to the VFW earmarked for Veterans and Military Support.

- Donate online: <https://www.vfw.org/ways-to-help>, select “National Veterans Service”
- Donate by mail:  
VFW National Headquarters  
Attn: NVS  
406 W. 34<sup>th</sup> St., 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Kansas City, MO 64111



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## VFW Veterans and Military Support

**VFW's Veterans and Military Support Program contains four (4) programs:**

- VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship"
- Unmet Needs
- Operation Uplink
- Military Assistance Program (MAP)

*These programs serve active-duty and recently discharged military.*



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### VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero" Scholarship

- Awards scholarships of **up to \$5,000** to qualifying veterans and service members to help them complete their educational goals.
- Learn more:  
<https://www.vfw.org/assistance/student-veterans-support>



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### Unmet Needs

- Provides grants of up to **\$1,500** to assist with basic life needs. *\*Note the new amount!*
- Learn more:  
<https://www.vfw.org/assistance/financial-grants>



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### Operation Uplink™

- A calling program for service members that provides free phone time to deployed active-duty military personnel and hospitalized veterans
- Learn more:  
<https://www.vfw.org/community/troop-support>





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MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

### Military Assistance Program (MAP)

- MAP provides financial assistance for Posts, Districts and Departments to sponsor morale boosting send-offs, homecomings, casual get-togethers, and postage for care packages for deployed troops
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## VFW Auxiliary Thank You Coins

Let those in the military know we are grateful for their service to our country - give them a VFW Auxiliary "Thank You" coin. Quantity discounts are available from the VFW Store.

- Order online:  
<https://www.vfwstore.org/products/31177>





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## Veterans & Family Support Resource Rack Card

- Download the VFW Auxiliary's Veterans & Family Support Resource Rack Card. It includes phone numbers and websites for 20 organizations and agencies that offer support to veterans, active-duty military and their families.
- Find it here:  
<https://vfwauxiliary.org/resources/>  
under Veterans & Family Support
- Download and print as many as you'd like!
  - *Resource Rack Card is updated every June*



RESOURCES FOR VETERANS,  
ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY  
AND THEIR FAMILIES

**Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)**  
816-756-3390  
[www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org)

**Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary  
(VFW Auxiliary)**  
816-561-8655  
[www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org)

**VFW National Home  
Military & Veteran Family Helpline**  
800-313-4200  
[www.vfwnationalhome.org](http://www.vfwnationalhome.org)

**Veterans Crisis Line**  
800-273-8255  
[www.veteranscrisisline.net](http://www.veteranscrisisline.net)

**Military OneSource**  
800-342-6947  
[www.militaryonesource.mil](http://www.militaryonesource.mil)

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs**  
Benefit Line: 800-827-1000  
[www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov)



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## Just One Can Make a Difference!

Q.: Does my Auxiliary have to participate in everything in this program?

A.: No!

- If your Auxiliary serves veterans, active-duty military and their families, then your Auxiliary has participated in this program.
- These are ways to serve these groups in your community.
- Pick one and watch it grow!!!

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