



DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

2024-2025 SERVICE TO VETERANS AWARDS ENTRY FORM

This is not part of the annual reports, it is for award purposes only.

\*\*DO NOT LIST COMMUNITY SERVICE VOLUNTEER HOURS\*\*

Please mail this completed form by APRIL 15, 2025 to:
ALA-Wisconsin, Attn: Andrea Stoltz, PO Box 140, Portage WI 53901
Fax: 608-745-1947 - Email: alawi@amlegionauxwi.org

\*\*Awards will be mailed to the contact person/address listed below around October 31st\*\*

Service to Veteran pins are awarded as such: upon reaching 50 hours you will receive a Service to Veterans pin. After that, attachable hour bars are awarded for 100, 300, 500, and 1,000 hours. After reaching 1,000 hours, the award increments are increased by 1,000 (i.e., 2,000; 3,000; 4,000 up to 20,000 hours). After 20,000 hours, increments increase to 5,000 hours (i.e., 25,000; 30,000; 35,000). A Lifetime Service to Veterans pin is awarded after 35,000 hours. It is very important to report hours every year as hours accrue so the appropriate award can be distributed.

Note: In 2021-2022 reportable hours allowed for caregivers of veteran family members was changed IF the caregiver does not receive professional compensation for doing so:

- > If you are a caregiver of a veteran who lives with you, you may claim 10 hours per week.
-> If you are a caregiver of a veteran who does not live with you (i.e., nursing home), you may claim 5 hours per week.

Unit City Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit# \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ District# \_\_\_\_\_

EXAMPLES OF COUNTABLE VOLUNTEER SERVICE TO VETERANS HOURS

Service to Veterans is volunteer service that directly benefits a veteran outside a VA facility. These hours should not be reported under any other program (i.e., Community Service, National Security, etc.). Some examples of qualifying service are listed below:

- Help elderly veterans at home (cleaning, yard work, etc.)
Provide transportation for a veteran
Offer to run errands for a caregiver or sit with a veteran while the caregiver runs errands
Assist with veterans' job fairs by organizing or working at an informational table
Volunteer at Camp American Legion
Donate/Raise money for the Veterans Creative Arts Festival
Volunteer for the Veterans Creative Arts Festival
Make tray favors for veterans in nursing homes on patriotic holidays
Give gifts and cards to veterans in nursing homes
Make tie blankets or afghans for veterans
Make Quilts of Valor
Create and donate items from VA&R pattern book
Shop for and prepare care packages for home-bound veterans
Buy school supplies, host a baby shower, or send care packages to veterans' children who are headed to college

Only CURRENT members are eligible for this award. List members on the back of this form in ALPHABETICAL order by last name (MEMBER ID# REQUIRED). Do not separate or otherwise distinguish juniors from seniors. Use additional sheets if needed. \*\*DO NOT LIST COMMUNITY SERVICE VOLUNTEER HOURS\*\*

Please list the contact person in case of questions and the person / address the awards should be mailed to. Awards are mailed to the address below for distribution to the members.

Person completing this form \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

