President's Bulletin – February, 2025

Hello Busy Ladies,

So soon and so fast our Final Service Reporting deadline of April 30th is fast approaching. I would like to remind all department officers of your service report which is due in April. Take an extra step and contact locals who have not reported before our deadline.

In order for department officers to submit their reports, I give a huge shout out to, yes you, our local members. We, the department, need your help! Projects, no matter how small or large, help support our mission, our veterans, and veteran family's need, and your projects need to be reported. Members contact your local officers to ask if they will be submitting their service reports with your projects included. These projects are everything you have participated in which can include Community Service, Child Welfare, Hospital, Americanism, SOS, and Scholarship. If you are unsure about which Service Report your project falls under, ask or email and officer for confirmation. All local members' projects are the driving force for the inclusion in these reports. Encourage your local officers to complete, and submit, a report which shows what you have contributed to with your hours, mileage, and support of local projects you participated in. You should get the credit for your continued support and cooperation at your respective local posts. It really is not difficult to list projects on paper with the recognition you all deserve.

A small description of why this report is so important. Our Veteran Homes and Medical Facilities, state-wide, share and annually receive federal funds to run these facilities. This does not include the additional funds it takes to continue or expand the on-going programs or new program services that a veteran needs. Our service project reporting is a cumulative part of a bigger picture. Reporting adds up to additional funds which can provide additional funding for our VA Homes and State Medical facilities for services not allocated. This is why service reporting is so critical. Your Service Reports are essential here in Michigan and you, our members, are essential in helping to document the valuable contributions and efforts you have made. Our goal is to maintain and increase our growth and not to fall back from the lack of trying or reporting.

This is why we continue to seek, improve, and enrich the lives of our veterans. One step at a time. This is the way we say thank you to our veterans for their service and sacrifices. And a huge thank you all, for your contributions and continued support you as graciously give and remember our veterans. This is why we call ourselves the AMVETS Family.

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