Hello Fellow Auxiliary Members,

As we watch or listen to the news, we hear about terrible weather-related events in our country, or we hear of fires, floods, tornados, hurricanes, or earthquakes that have devastated our fellow citizens. We wish we could help, but don't have the funds we would need to assist all those who are hurting. The Auxiliary Emergency Fund (AEF) is a national grant assistance program that provides temporary emergency assistance to eligible members of the American Legion Auxiliary who have endured a significant financial setback as the result of an act of nature or other personal crisis.

Thanks to all of you and all of the Units which have donated to the AEF this year. Our donations are what keeps the AEF able to provide assistance when people are in need. God bless you for your giving hearts! In Quarter 2 of this fiscal year, the National AEF program awarded \$51,522.07 to 42 grant recipients: 29 Disaster and 13 Temporary Financial needs. All this was doable because ALA members across America were able to generously give.

If you become aware of an ALA member who has suffered a catastrophe, ask your Unit President or the Department Office for an application.

LoAnn Dick AEF Chairman