American Legion Auxiliary - Department Education Program

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Dear Unit President and Auxiliary Members,

I am Peggy Moran, your Education Chairman for the Department of North Dakota for 2024-2025, and I have been an Auxiliary member since 2005. I am eligible through my late husband who served in the Army in the mid 70's. We are proud of all that have served and are serving in the military so that our country continues to enjoy our freedom.

Education helps open a multitude of doors for people in a variety of ways and can help people drastically change their circumstances. It is wonderful that the American Legion Auxiliary continues its mission to provide education programs and support for our nation's students and educators. The special emphasis placed on programs for military and family members of military is truly extraordinary. As we continue to support our education system, we will strengthen the lives of those who will soon become the core decision makers of our country.

The following pages show a recommendation of education ideas for the Department of North Dakota. A plan has been developed using the National Programs Action Plan as a guide, which we hope represents the needs of our Department. Each Department may have differing needs and ideas, but we can still work as a whole to serve our veterans, their families and our communities.

We do not intend to overwhelm you as a member, unit, or district. You may not be able to complete any or all the recommendations, but that is ok. Have a goal of completing one task well and reporting on it and use that as motivation for moving forward. "Give 10 to Education" is probably the quickest and easiest to help your local educators and students. Teachers always need more supplies as the year goes on. Another activity is Veterans in Community Schools brings history to life as local veterans tell students about their experiences in the military. Acknowledge the teachers and support staff in communities during American Education Week November 18-22 is another Education activity.

There will be letters in unit mailings and an article in "The Message" with more information on how you can help strengthen education and scholarship programs within the American Legion Auxiliary.

Please feel free to contact me with questions, suggestions, and opportunities. You can be the vehicle to help promote the ALA Education programs/scholarships to our veterans, their families, and our communities!

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