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## VETERANS & FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM 2024 - 2025

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Department President – Renee King  
Department Secretary – Jeanette Garcia

National Ambassador – Evan Smiley  
Department Chair – Mary Sanchez

Hello my name is Mary Sanchez and Ms. State President Renee King has appointed me as your Ambassador for Veteran and Family Support program. For those few who do not know me, my Nickname is “GIRL” and have being a member of Auxiliary Post 4384 in Anthony New Mexico for a little over 20 years. Qualified under my father Claro Sanchez a World War II Veteran. I was State President from 2017-2019 and National District Council Member #15 serving New Mexico and Arizona from 2021-2023. Have held and still hold an officers’ position at the local, district and state levels over the years.

This year’s national theme is “From Our Roots to Our Branches Extending Services to Our Veterans”. My National Ambassador is Evan Smiley from Payneville, Kentucky.

This year’s national focal points will be: A) National Veterans Service Suicide Prevention programs. We still have too many of our service comrades taking their own lives. B) Childcare for active-duty service members. And C) Veterans and Military support Programs that the VFW initiated but still need us to continue these worthwhile programs (like the Unmet Needs program, Military Assistances program, and the scholarship program to name a few).

I am looking forward in helping the auxiliaries step up to the challenge of making a difference in our state and have some good numbers to report to national for our State President.

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