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## VETERANS & FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM 2024 - 2025



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Question frequently asked on what to report under this program. I say to you everything that is not covers under the other programs!

I know I talk about this last month but I want you to know that everything you do is reportable if it involves a veteran and or it involves their family members. Question again what is a family member? For membership its 3<sup>rd</sup> generation down from the veteran. For this program it's what you consider family. Example I got long distance cousins (like 5th generation down family) that are closer to my than some of my 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> generation family is. Yes, they have veterans somewhere in their immediate family, and if I give them a ride to see other family members because they can't drive anymore. Damn right, I am reporting this as aid to family support. If an auxiliary sister spouse passes away all of a sudden. I will be there to lend a hand and know what benefits my auxiliary sister is entitled too, because many do not know what to do or where to turn to.

Every Auxiliary member should have a booklet close at hand on "benefits for the surviving spouse". Most VFW Post will have this booklet near the door were they keep their pamphlet. Goodt booklet to have and read! And just like a say last month having your Post Service Officer come talk at the Auxiliary meeting or at your District meeting as part of your school of instruction is a must. I can not stress this point enough!!

Please continue to report under this program! I can be reached by email at [girlisin@hotmail.com](mailto:girlisin@hotmail.com) or by calling me or texting me at (575) 649-5735. Let's work together for a common goal.