

Department of New Mexico VFW Auxiliary

Youth Activities

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The year of reporting for youth activities has started and is upon us, and I'm so excited to be your youth activities department chairman 2024-2025. My name is Janet Huft. I'm excited so let's get started.

Youth is our future of our county. It has impressionable, we as Auxiliary members are in a unique position to mold and teach our young ones the principles upon our nation was founded. We need to help our youth and make sure they learn of our Veterans, service members and their family. We need to make sure that they learn about Patriotism.

Reading is a big part of our life and the future and learning. Patriotism is through the Literacy program, that offers us the opportunity to not only interact with young people, but teach them about Patriotism.

As you start your activities for 2024-2025, find ways that include your local youth. There is a lot of different youth out there –

- ❖ School Clubs
- ❖ Church Youth Groups
- ❖ Youth sport teams
- ❖ Scouting programs
- ❖ JROTC
- ❖ Home school

I'm sure there is more out there. Team with your members/Post and like do a Back Packs and supplies for children for school, help with other organizations that are doing it or if you are doing it, ask them if they would like to help.

Don't forget about the VFW Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay Contest, Theme: **Is America Today Our Forefathers'**

- Grades: 9-12 Entries to Post – VFW Post Midnight 31 October 2024

VFW Patriot's Pen Essay Contest, Theme: **My Voice in America's Democracy?**

- Grades: 6-8 Entries to Post-VFW Midnight 31 October 2024

If you need to get ahold of me, email me, text or call will get back to you as soon as possible.

HAPPY JULY 4TH