

American Legion Auxiliary Department of California Community Service July 2024 Bulletin

I am delighted to welcome each of you to a new year of dedicated service and community engagement under the inspiring leadership of our Department President, Linda Hayes. This year, we proudly embrace her theme of "America the Beautiful" and her powerful motto, "Crown thy Good with Brotherhood."

In alignment with President Linda's vision, I am excited to announce that our Community Service Program will be known as **"The Village."** This name reflects our shared commitment to fostering a supportive and inclusive community where every member contributes to the common good.

"The Village" concept is built on the principle that it takes a collective effort to create a thriving and supportive environment. Our mission is to embody the spirit of brotherhood by:

- **Promoting Community Well-being:** We will initiate and support projects that enhance the quality of life in our communities.
- **Building Strong Partnerships:** Collaborating with local organizations, schools, and businesses will be crucial in amplifying our impact and reaching those who need our support the most.
- **Encouraging Member Participation:** Every member's involvement, no matter how small, is invaluable. We encourage you to bring your unique skills and passions to our initiatives, ensuring that **"The Village"** thrives through diverse contributions.

Upcoming Major Events:

1. National Night Out - Tuesday, August 6th

Our first major event is National Night Out, a nationwide community-building campaign promoting police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer and more caring places to live. This is a great opportunity to connect with your community. At the time of writing this bulletin, there are over 320 cities in California that are participating. To find out if your city is participating, visit the National Night Out website. Your participation helps strengthen our village, making it a vibrant and connected community.

2. 9/11 National Day of Service & Remembrance - Wednesday, September 11th

Next, you can help honor the spirit of service and remembrance on September 11th. One option is to by participate in meal packing events in San Jose and Los Angeles. These events are part of the 9/11 National Day of Service & Remembrance, a national initiative encouraging acts of service in memory of the lives lost and those impacted by the tragic events of September 11, 2001.

• San Jose Event: Bay Area Meal Pack for 9/11 Day

• Los Angeles Event: LA Meal Pack for 9/11 Day

As a member of **"The Village,"** your dedication and enthusiasm are the cornerstones of our success. Together, we can truly crown our efforts with brotherhood, making a meaningful difference in our communities and embodying the beauty of America in our actions.

Thank you for your commitment to the American Legion Auxiliary and the impactful work we do. Let's make this year one of exceptional service and unity.

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National Night Out: https://natw.org/

9/11 Meal Packing San Jose: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bay-area-meal-pack-for-911-day-support-staff-tickets-896588990807?aff=eivtefrnd&utm-campaign=social%2Cemail&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=strongmail&utm-term=listing

9/11 Meal Packing Los Angeles: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/la-meal-pack-for-911-day-support-staff-tickets-895689801307?aff=eivtefrnd&utm-campaign=social%2Cemail&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=strongmail&utm-term=listing