



THE AMERICAN LEGION & SCOUTING



Square Knot

AWARD

This award is designed to recognize American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion members who are actively involved in the Scouting program. This award is not meant to be a selective or limited award, but one that is available to any American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion member who completes the requirements for the award. The award is meant to recognize dedication and work required by an American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion member to assist in furthering the Scouting program in The American Legion.



The award includes a gold and purple square knot, which may be worn on the Scout uniform. A certificate and congratulatory letter from the national commander of The American Legion are also included as recognition for the award.



To be considered for The American Legion Square Knot, it is expected that American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion members will work to provide the maximum impact of The American Legion's support of the Scouting program and to achieve maximum visibility.

A. Service

1. Be a current member of The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion.
2. Be a current registered Scouter in a leadership position at the unit, district or council level; or as a Chartered Organizational Representative (COR); or as a district, council, area or regional member-at-large; or as a commissioner at any level.

B. Training

If serving as a unit leader complete five of the following:

1. Complete your unit leader Position-Specific (Role-Based) Course (Scoutmaster Position-Specific, Venturing Advisor Position-Specific, Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster Position-Specific, or Sea Scout Leader Position-Specific).
2. Complete "Youth Protection" training within the past 24 months.
3. Complete a certified "First Aid and CPR" certification within the past 24 months through either the American Red Cross or Emergency Care & Safety Institute.
4. Earn the Scouter's "Training Award" for your position.
5. Complete a Woodbadge, Powderhorn or Seabadge training program.
6. Attend a national training conference at either Bechtel Summit's John D. Tickle Training Center, Florida Sea Base or Philmont Training Center.

If serving as a Chartered Organizational Representative (COR), or as a district, council, area or regional member-at-large, or as a Commissioner at any level, complete three of the following:

1. Complete the Position-Specific (Role-Based) Course for your position (Commissioner Position Specific Basic Training or Chartered Organization Representative Position Specific Training).
2. Complete a Woodbadge training program.
3. Complete a council or area specific degree program through the College of Commissioner Science or University of Scouting.
4. Attend a regional or area training conference such as the OA National Leadership Seminar or Regional/Area Commissioner Conference.
5. Attend a national training conference at either Bechtel Summit's John D. Tickle Training Center, Florida Sea Base or Philmont Training Center.

C. Tenure

1. Serve a total of three consecutive years in a Scouting leadership position at the unit, district or council level; or as a Chartered Organizational Representative (COR); or as a district, council, area or regional member-at-large; or as a commissioner at any level.

D. Performance

While serving in a Scouting leadership position at the unit, district or council level; or as a Chartered Organizational Representative (COR); or as a district, council, area or regional member-at-large; or as a commissioner at any level, complete a minimum of five of the following:

1. Serve a minimum of two years as a Post Chartered Organizational Representative for Scouting or Scouting





unit leader and demonstrate success with your unit(s) in terms of growth in membership.

2. Assist your post, district or department to raise funds to support Scouting. Participate with a local BSA district or council friends of scouting fundraising effort.
3. Participate as member of a BSA District or council membership/relationships committee and represent The American Legion.
4. Assist in organizing or reorganizing a cub pack, Scout troop, sea scout ship or venturing crew chartered by an American Legion post.
5. Participate in the Eagle Scout of the Year program at the post, district or department level.
6. Make contact with Scout troops and venturing crews in your area through visits, roundtables or other means and solicit their participation in the National High School Oratorical Contest, Junior Shooting Sports Program, Boys State, American Legion Baseball and other Americanism programs and document the results of your efforts.
7. Recruit manpower from your post or district to support a Scout activity such as a camporee, bicycle rodeo, merit badge day or other related event to help further American Legion recognition in support of the Scouting program.
8. Develop and carry out or participate in an American Legion program to recognize the leaders of Scouting programs in your post, district or department.
9. Promote and coordinate the development of a network of department American Legion Scouting Team members to assist in the development of Scouting within The American Legion.
10. Earn the Den Leader Training Award or Scouters Training Award.

11. Earn the Unit Leader Award of Merit or District Award of Merit.
12. Earn any Scouter's Key Award.
13. Earn the Distinguished Commissioner Service Award or Commissioner Award of Excellence in Unit Service.

E. Approval

1. Submit appropriate documentation (photocopies of membership card, course completion certificates, memorandum/letters signed by Scouting leadership highlighting accomplishments, etc.) in order to fully document the attainment of the requirements as outlined in sections A, B, C and D.
2. Obtain the written endorsements of your American Legion post commander, American Legion Auxiliary unit president or Sons of The American Legion squadron commander and the department Scouting chairman, department adjutant and department commander that you have satisfactorily completed the requirements for this award. (A website link to department headquarters addresses can be found on the back of the brochure to assist in obtaining the written endorsements of the department Scouting chairman, department adjutant and department commander.)
3. Submit the appropriate documentation and written endorsements to the Americanism Commission online at www.legion.org/scouting.
4. Note: Application packets that lack the appropriate documentation or written endorsements will be returned.

F. Awarding Process

The department would arrange for presentation of The American Legion Square Knot, certificate and congratulatory letter at an appropriate place and time.





American Legion department (state) contact information is online:
 www.legion.org/departments



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★ E-MAIL: info@missourilegion.org ★ WEBSITE: www.missourilegion.org ★

Subject: 2021 Cadet Patrol

On September 8, 2020, I met with members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol concerning the 2021 Legion Cadet Patrol Program. We will make a final decision by February 2021, if we will have the program or not. At this point, we are planning to have the program with the following changes:

- **Class size will be 20 students instead of 40**
- **Age previously 16 to 18. If you had an applicant last year who has turned 19, he or she will be accepted into the 2021 program.**
- **Cadet Patrol will be held June 13 through June 18, 2021**

This program is a great steppingstone to a career in law enforcement. We will make sure that the instructions and students will be safe by following the necessary Corona Virus protocols.

Please contact your applicants from last year. Also, contact your area schools, churches, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, or any other youth organization to promote this program.

If the program is canceled or any changes are made, I will advise you as soon as possible. Please help this program and all our youth programs.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please call, or email me as indicated below.

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November 10, 2020

Dear Commander/District Scouting Chairman:

I am the Boy Scout Committee Chairman for the Department of Missouri.

As the Boy Scout Committee Chairman, I want to coordinate activities between the Committee and the District Chairs to get as much support for Scouting in our Department as possible as well as get as many qualified applicants for the Eagle Scout of the Year program as possible.

I'm enclosing a copy of a press release to place in your local newspapers throughout your district; a copy of the Eagle Scout of The Year application; and a copy of The American Legion Scouting Square Knot Award application that Legionnaires in your District can earn through their work in Scouting. Please insure that your members understand the Eagle Scout of The Year application **must** be in to Department no later than ***March 1, 2021***.

Thank you for your help.

For God and Country,

JEROME L. GOOLSBY, Boy Scout Committee Chairman
American Legion Department of Missouri



**The American Legion Department of Missouri
Boy Scouts Committee
3341 American Avenue
Jefferson City, Missouri 65109**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For More Information Call:

J. L. Goolsby
(413) 301 – 3464

NOVEMBER 3, 2020 - - - The American Legion Department of Missouri Boy Scouts Committee announced that the Eagle Scout of The Year program for 2021 is underway. The program at the national level grants the winner a \$10,000 college scholarship and three other Eagle Scouts each receive a \$2,500 college scholarship. The Eagle Scout who wins the competition from Missouri will receive a \$750 college scholarship.

Prospective nominees must be a registered, active member of a Boy Scouts of America unit chartered to an American Legion post, American Legion Auxiliary unit or a Sons of The American Legion squadron or be a registered, active member of a Boy Scouts of America unit and have a parent or grandparent possessing up-to-date membership in The American Legion or Sons of The American Legion or American Legion Auxiliary, and in the case of a recently deceased member, their membership for the year immediately prior to the current year may be used. They must have received the Eagle Scout Award, received a Scouts BSA or Venturer Religious Emblem, have demonstrated practical citizenship in church, school, Scouting and community, have reached their 15th birthday and be enrolled in high school at the time of selection, and applied through the department (state) in which their Scout unit is chartered.

Applications for the Eagle Scout of The Year can be obtained in Missouri from your local Boy Scout Council or your local American Legion Post. The form must be submitted to the American Legion Department of Missouri, P.O. Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65109, no later than March 1, 2021.

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THE AMERICAN LEGION EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM



Name: _____

Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Age: _____

Telephone number: () _____

E-mail: _____

Is your Boy Scouts of America Unit chartered to an American Legion post, American Legion Auxiliary unit or Sons of The American Legion squadron? _____

If YES, please complete the following:

(Post/Unit/Squadron Number)

(Street)

(City) (State) (ZIP)

Are you the Scout of a Legionnaire, Sons of The American Legion or American Legion Auxiliary member? _____ **If yes, please complete the following:**

(Name of Member)

(Relationship) (Membership No.)

Eligibility Requirements

THE NOMINEE MUST:

- Be either a registered active member of a Boy Scouts of America unit that is chartered to an American Legion post, American Legion Auxiliary unit or Sons of The American Legion squadron.

OR

- Be a registered active member of any chartered Boy Scouts of America unit and have a parent or grandparent possessing up-to-date membership in The American Legion or Sons of The American Legion or American Legion Auxiliary, and in the case of a recently deceased member, their membership for the year immediately prior to the current year may be used.

AND

- Received the Eagle Scout Award.
- Received a Scouts BSA or Venturer Religious Emblem.
- Have demonstrated practical citizenship in church, school, Scouting and community.
- Have reached their 15th birthday and be enrolled in high school at the time of selection.
- Applied through the department (state) in which their Scout unit is chartered.

APPLICANTS: DO NOT SEND THIS APPLICATION DIRECTLY TO NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS. SUBMIT TO YOUR AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT (STATE) HEADQUARTERS.



THE AMERICAN LEGION EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR



NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Scout who best meets the qualifications outlined in the nomination application will be selected as the annual American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year by the National Americanism Commission.

Each year the American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year will travel to join the youth champion delegation of The American Legion for participation in the annual National Convention of The American Legion.

Scholarships

The American Legion provides for a national scholarship to be awarded to the Eagle Scout who is selected The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year.

The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. Three runner-up scholarship awards will be granted in the amount of \$2,500 each.

The scholarship recipients will be eligible to receive their scholarship immediately upon graduation from high school (public, parochial, military, private, or home school) and must utilize the total award within four years of their graduation date, excluding active military duty or religious mission.

The scholarship may be used to attend a school selected by the student provided it is state accredited, above the high school level, and within the continental limits of the United States, except in the case where the student may be from a possession of the United States, in which case the student can select a school in that possession or in the continental United States.

Disbursement from the scholarship fund will be made jointly to the student and the school at the beginning of each semester or quarter. **Only one request will be honored per semester or quarter.**

DO NOT SEND THIS APPLICATION DIRECTLY TO NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

Applicant should type or print all information.

Section A – High School Record

Note: Please attach a copy of your official high school transcript.

Grade: _____ Name of high school: _____

Grade point average: _____ In upper _____ % of class. Number in class: _____

On **one additional page (500 words)** list activities participated in during high school and also list awards, honors and recognition received. And include a copy of school transcripts.

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first page of Attachment A if more than one page is submitted.

Section B – Scouting Record

Note: This section will be reviewed closely by the selection committee.

	Years	Unit No.	Sponsor
Cub Scout	_____	_____	_____
Scouts BSA	_____	_____	_____
Varsity Scout	_____	_____	_____
Venturing Crew	_____	_____	_____

Eagle Award Received: _____ Palms: _____

Section B – Scouting Record (continued)

On **two additional pages (1,000 words total)** (1) List leadership positions held in your Cub Scout Pack, Scouts BSA Troop, Varsity Scout Team, and/or Venturing Crew; (2) List other Scouting activities you may have participated in (Jamborees, Order of the Arrow Conferences, etc.).

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first two pages of Attachment B if more than two pages are submitted.

Section B1 – Eagle Scout Project

On **two additional pages (1,000 words total)** succinctly describe your Eagle Scout Project.

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first two pages of Attachment B1 if more than two pages are submitted.

Section C – Community Participation Record

On **one additional page (500 words)** list community organizations in which you have held membership **excluding high school and Scouting**. Additionally list other activities that you were involved with that directly or indirectly improved life in your community.

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first page of Attachment C if more than one page is submitted.

Section D – Religious Award

Denomination: _____ Name of Religious Institution: _____

Name of BSA Religious Emblem (Award) Received: _____

Month and Year Received: _____

On **one additional page (500 words)** list religious youth organizations, clubs, groups that you have been involved in, to include honors awarded and offices held.

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first page of Attachment D if more than one page is submitted.

Section E – Career Interests

On **one additional page (500 words)** describe your career interests and/or goals. The selection committee realizes that in many cases, applicants will not have decided on career goals; however, complete this section to the best of your ability.

Note: The screening committee will only consider information provided on the first page of Attachment E if more than one page is submitted.

Section F – Letters of Recommendation and Testimony

One letter each from your **religious institution, school, your community and Scouting must be included**. Two additional letters of recommendation and testimony may also be included. Please keep in mind that the letters of recommendation are an important part of this application and will be carefully reviewed by the screening committee.

Note: The screening committee will only consider the four required letters and the two additional letters of recommendation of Attachment F if more than the six required letters of recommendation are submitted. Letters of recommendation will be limited to one page.

Authorization

CERTIFICATION BY EAGLE SCOUT

I certify to the accuracy of the foregoing facts. If selected, I will be free to travel to The American Legion National Convention and participate as a member of the youth champion delegation, representing The American Legion and the Boy Scouts of America.

SIGNATURE OF EAGLE SCOUT: _____ DATE: _____

PARENTAL CONSENT

I hereby certify that the information on this application pertaining to my Scout's age and grade in school is correct. I am willing and desirous that my Scout become The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year. In consideration of the benefits derived from this honor, if selected, I hereby voluntarily waive any, and all, claims against The American Legion and the Boy Scouts of America totally and all representatives thereof.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: _____ DATE: _____

Authorization (continued)

SCOUT UNIT LEADER

The above named applicant is qualified in every respect to represent The American Legion and the Boy Scouts of America and has our recommendation.

SIGNATURE OF SCOUT UNIT LEADER: _____ DATE: _____

AMERICAN LEGION SELECTION COMMITTEE APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT/SCOUT CHAIRMAN SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS REVIEWED BY DEPARTMENT SELECTION COMMITTEE: _____

Selection Process

DEPARTMENT

- Nominations must be received by department headquarters no later than March 1.
- The application judged best in the department and a list of the members of the Department Selection Committee should be emailed to: americanism@legion.org, Subject: Eagle Scout of the Year Nomination.
- For additional information, applicants should contact their department headquarters.

NATIONAL

- Nominations must be received by national headquarters no later than April 1.
- The National Americanism Commission's Youth Activities Subcommittee will review all department nominations, and, in their judgment, select The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINALIST

The selection will be announced in the Americanism Commission report to the National Executive Committee during The American Legion's annual Spring Meetings in Indianapolis, each May.

American Legion department (state) contact information is online:
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CAREER FIRE FIGHTER/ CAREER EMT
VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTER /VOULUNTEER EMT ELIGIBILITY

ELIGIBILITY:

To be considered for this most prestigious award, all nominees must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a citizen of the United States of America.
2. Be a Career Fire Fighter or Career EMT, or a Volunteer Fire Fighter or Volunteer EMT, personnel, who swore an oath to protect the lives and property of the citizens of their respective jurisdiction.
3. Consideration for posthumous award is permissible only when the recipient has died subsequent to selection for the award and prior to its presentation.
4. Be assigned as a Career Fire Fighter or Career EMT, or a Volunteer Fire Fighter or Volunteer EMT, personnel, representing within the State of Missouri:
 - A Municipality (City)
 - County
 - State Fire Fighter
 - Private communities that have paid Fire Departments
 - Federal Fire Fighter
5. Reside and serve with in the State of Missouri.

Note: An individual can only be considered for one award and cannot be submitted under the guidelines for both career (paid) and volunteer services.

NOMINATIONS:

The following rules apply to all nominations for this most prestigious award. All candidates:

1. Must meet the guidelines spelled out in the beginning of the letter.
2. Period of **2021** Nominees service: January 1, **2020**-December 31, **2020**.
3. Must be nominated using the official form provided; copies of which can be obtained from the department website : www.missourilegion.org
Please contact Department at 1-800-846-9023
4. Nominations for a Career Fire Fighter or EMT must be accompanied with a copy of the nominee's certificate of graduation from an accredited fire academy, Should the volunteer Fire Fighter or EMT have a certificate, please include that also.
5. Must be recommended by his/ her commanding officer
6. Nomination Applications shall have the following: **(1)** a completed application form.
(2) A total of 12 pages of service documentation. The first 6 pages will be one-sided 8 ½ "x 11" bond paper and include press articles. (Specific acts of community service; heroism and meritorious performance recognized by his/her fire agency should be included and documented.)
7. Nominations shall be submitted to their local post
8. All nominations shall be submitted with the official cover sheet as the top page of the application.

Mail to: Kenny Goth, Chairman
 Law & Order and Public Safety
 P.O. Box 179
 Jefferson City, MO 65102
 (660) 351-2184

Deadline February 6th, 2021

**The American Legion
Department of Missouri
Nomination Form**

Check one:

- Career Fire Fighter
- Volunteer Fire Fighter
- Career EMT
- Volunteer EMT

Date: _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Home Address: _____

City/State/ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Age: _____ Marital Status: _____ Spouse: _____

Nominating Agency: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/State/ Zip Code: _____

Agency Director: _____ Supervisor: _____

Sponsoring American Legion Post: _____

County: _____ District: _____

Commander: _____ Commander's Signature: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ Zip Code: _____

Received by: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Total Number of Packages Included: _____

Failure to use this form may result in the Disqualification of your Nominee. It should be placed immediately after the cover sheet and in front of the supporting documents. Include certification as a career Fire Fighter or EMT and / or Volunteer Fire Fighter or EMT. The Fire Fighter/EMT that is selected as the winner will be requested to forward an official 5" X 7" photograph of the Candidate mounted on a standard 8 ½" x 11" sheet of bond paper with Name and Rank below the picture. The original copy of the entire nomination package must be submitted no later than the close of business, February 10, 2021.

**Mail Package to:
Kenny Goth, Chairman
Law & Order and Public Safety
P.O. Box 179
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(660) 351-2184**

6. List any honors or awards for outstanding work.

7. If this nominee is declared the winner, will he or she appear at our Department convention? Yes ___ No ___

8. Has the nominee's superior been informed of this recommendation? Yes ___ No ___

Please attach hereto a letter of recommendation from the nominee's superior.

9. If additional space is needed for further comments on anything pertaining to this nomination use the remaining space or attach additional sheets with comments.

Deadline February 6, 2021

Mail to Kenny Goth, Chairman
Law & Order and Public Safety
P.O. Box 179
Jefferson City, MO 65102

(Post Commander)

(Post Adjutant)



Law & Order and the Firefighter/EMT Awards

Applications due February 7, 2021

It's that time of year when your Legion Post may be contacted by your Local Fire Department and or Police Departments to sign off on the nomination forms for the Department's Law & Order/ Public Safety Award. All Nomination forms MUST be sent to Kenny Goth, Chairman of Law & Order / Public Safety Committee before February 7th, 2021. If you have any questions call Kenneth Goth @ (660) 885-5395.

Every Missouri Firefighter/EMT and Police Officer who is affiliated with a tax supported entity and resides and serves within the State of Missouri is eligible for these awards. We request that only one(1) Firefighter/EMT & only one(1) Police Officer be involved in an incident, submit details on those involved.

Our Law & Order Public Safety Committee will select one (1) Firefighter /EMT and one (1) Police Officer recipient for 2021. That person will be invited to the Department Convention July 09, 2021 in Cape Girardeau to receive the Award. The Missouri winners will then be nominated for the National Awards of The American Legion. Should the Missouri recipients win the National Contest he/she will be invited to the National Convention in August for recognition.

Before signing off make sure all information and documentation is being submitted. All Forms should be found on the Department website www.missourilegion.org and submitted to **Kenneth Goth, Law & Order/Public Safety Committee, P. O. Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102.**

LAW OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Nominations:

The following rules apply to all nomination for this most prestigious award. All candidates:

1. Must meet the guidelines spelled out in the beginning of the letter.
 - a. The American Legion Posts present their selections to Department Chairman of the Law & Order Committee.
 - b. The Chairman must receive the agencies nomination by February 6th, 2021.
Only one nomination will be accepted from each agency. Each Troop of the Missouri State Highway Patrol can submit one nomination.
2. Period of Service for this award shall be specified under the Standing Rules of the National criteria. (2021 Nominees service: January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020).
3. Must be nominated using the official form provided; copies of which can be obtained from The American Legion Department of Missouri, Inc. Jefferson City, MO. 1-800-846-9023
4. Nominations must be accompanied with a copy of the nominee's certificate as a law enforcement officer.
5. Must be recommended by his/her commanding officer or supervisor.
6. Nomination Applications shall have the following: **(1)** a completed application form.
(2) A total of 12 pages of service documentation. The first 6 pages will be one-sided 8 ½ "x 11" bond paper and include press articles. (Specific acts of community service; heroism and meritorious performance recognized by his/her law enforcement agency should be included and documented.)
7. Nominations shall be selected by the Law & Order Committee, where a final selection will be made prior to the State Convention.
8. All Nominations shall be submitted with the official cover sheet as the top page of the nomination package.
9. All candidates must agree and be granted prior permission to attend The American Legion National Convention if selected to receive the National Award.

Mail to: Kenny Goth, Chairman
 Law & Order and Public Safety
 P.O. Box 179
 Jefferson City, MO 65102
 (660) 351-2184

Deadline February 10th, 2021.

6. List any honors or awards for outstanding police work.

7. If this nominee is declared the winner, will he or she appear at our Department convention? Yes ___ No ___

8. Has the nominee's superior been informed of this recommendation? Yes ___ No ___

Please attach hereto a letter of recommendation from the nominee's superior.

9. If additional space is needed for further comments on anything pertaining to this nomination use the remaining space or attach additional sheets with comments.

Deadline February 10, 2021

Mail to: Kenny Goth, Chairman
Law & Order and Public Safety
P.O. Box 179
Jefferson City, MO 65102

(Post Commander)

(Post Adjutant)

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 28, 2020

TO: Department Commanders
Department Adjutants
National Executive Committee
Past National Commanders

FROM: Daniel S. Wheeler, National Adjutant

SUBJECT: Mission Blue Post Assistance Program

At the 2020 Fall National Executive Committee Meeting, Resolution #36, Subject: Mission Blue Post Assistance Program was approved. Posts impacted by a government's public health restrictions implemented in response to the COVID-19 pandemic may apply for a grant up to \$1,000. Posts must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- A post must have a current consolidated post report on file.
- A post must have filed an IRS 990 within the prescribed due date.
- A post must have filed all other required forms and reports as prescribed by the departments.
- A post must have actively participated in one or more The American Legion programs(s) within the last 18 months.
- A post must have a financial need.
- A post must provide a certificate of insurance naming The American National Headquarters as an additional insured (copy of insurance declaration will be attached to application).
- A post must provide documentation indicating that the post is properly incorporated.

The funds from this grant program shall be used exclusively for the following:

- Current and past due mortgage principal and interest or
- Current and past due real estate rents or
- Current and past due insurance premiums or
- Current and past due utilities.

The American Legion posts receiving this grant are required to submit a true and accurate report outlining how the funds were used, signed by the post finance officer, and certified by the post commander or post adjutant within six-months of receipt of the grant funds or no later than February 22, 2022. Whichever comes first.

The application form with the instruction sheet which provides more submission information and where to send the application upon completion will be sent to the Post once the Department determines all qualifications criteria are met.

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
October 14-15, 2020
Virtual**

**Resolution No. 36: Mission Blue Post Assistance Program
Origin: Internal Affairs Commission
Submitted by: Finance Commission
(As amended)**

WHEREAS, The United States of America is facing a public health crisis unseen since 1918 called the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, State and local public health protection ordinances place a limit on American Legion posts ability to derive support from its members and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The financial damage created as a result of those public health protection ordinances will be felt for many years; and

WHEREAS, A post is the backbone of The American Legion and the financial stability of a post is necessary to complete the missions of The American Legion; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion desires to be of assistance to posts impacted by public health ordinances related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion National Emergency Fund was established to provide grants to American Legion posts in times of disaster and emergency; and

WHEREAS, The Internal Affairs Commission and Finance Commission has recommended approval; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled virtually on October 14-15, 2020, That the national commander is hereby authorized to establish a grant program titled “Mission Blue Post Assistance Program” which will provide \$1,000 grants to applying and qualified American Legion posts impacted by the government’s public health protection restrictions implemented in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the national commander shall direct the Internal Affairs Commission through its Internal Affairs Division to screen, certify and cause grants to be distributed to qualifying posts; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an American Legion post will be eligible for a Mission Blue Post Assistance Program grant after verification by the American Legion department adjutant that the post meets the criteria and requirements, which are listed here:

- 1. A post must have a consolidated post report on file.**
- 2. A post must have filed an IRS 990 within the prescribed due date.**
- 3. A post must have filed all other required forms and reports as prescribed by the department.**
- 4. A post must have actively participated in one or more American Legion program(s) within the last 18 months.**
- 5. A post must have a financial need.**

6. A post must provide a certificate of insurance naming The American Legion dba American Legion National Headquarters as an additional insured.
7. A post must provide documentation indicating that the post is properly incorporated; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the funds from a Mission Blue Post Assistance Program grant shall be used exclusively for the following:

1. Current and past due mortgage principal and interest,
2. Current and past due real estate rents,
3. Current and past due insurance premiums, and
4. Current and past due utilities; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an American Legion post receiving a Mission Blue Post Assistance Program grant will be required to submit a true and accurate report outlining how the funds were used; and the report shall be signed by the post finance officer and certified by the post commander or post adjutant; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That payment for a Mission Blue Post Assistance Program grant shall be made available by funding in The American Legion National Emergency Fund; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That no more than \$5,000,000 (\$5 million dollars) shall be expended from The American Legion National Emergency Fund for the Mission Blue Post Assistance Program, except that donations from elsewhere specifically designated to fulfill the intent of the program may be applied to same without limitation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That The American Legion may solicit donations for the Mission Blue Post Assistance Program from any sources as may be available provided that any and all monies raised shall be used to augment the \$5,000,000 commitment from The American Legion National Emergency Fund; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Finance Commission is authorized to make any changes to the program as it sees fit to carry out the intent of this resolution provided that the National Executive Committee is provided notification of changes made at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. — REGISTRATION
Roscoe Enloe Post 5

9:45 a.m. — Tour Missouri Senate
*If there is time left after the Senate
tour, you are welcome to tour the
Missouri State Capitol*

12:00 p.m. — LUNCHEON
Roscoe Enloe Post 5
Guest Speaker

2:30 p.m. — SUPREME COURT VISIT
207 West High Street

34th Annual
**Missouri State
Youth Government Day**



*Thank you for participating in
this memorable day.*

*Wishing you success in all your
future endeavors and a safe
trip home.*

*~The American Legion
State Youth Government Committee*



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In Memoriam

The State Youth Government Day Program is a result of the efforts of the late Lawrence F. Bonderer, Past Commander of Vern R. Glick Post 25, The American Legion, Chillicothe, Missouri.

Commander Bonderer's tragic death occurred just days before the first State Youth Government Day held in April 1988. In appreciative memory, a Resolution was unanimously adopted during the 1988 Department Convention naming the program for him.



Purpose

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We hope that the young men and women who participate in State Youth Government Day will witness the professionalism and dedication of our government officials in action and will have their pride in America strengthened.

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To: All Missouri High Schools

From: The Department of Missouri American Legion

Subject: Missouri State Youth Government Day

It is time to begin planning of our 34th Annual Missouri State Youth Government Day, conducted at the Missouri State Capitol and the American Legion Roscoe Enloe Post 5. The 2019 State Youth Government Day will be held on **April 13, 2021**.

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TO: District Commanders, District Chairmen, and Post Adjutants
From: Lloyd Miller, Chairman State Youth in Government
Subject: Thirty-Third Annual Missouri State Youth in Government Day
Date: November 3, 2020

The 34th Annual State Youth in Government Day Program is scheduled for **April 13, 2021**, at the Missouri State Capitol. A busy schedule is planned for the day.

9:00 am Registration—Roscoe Enloe Post 5
9:45 am Tour the Missouri Senate
12:00 pm Luncheon – Roscoe Enloe Post 5 – Guest Speaker

2:30 pm - - Visit Supreme Court ***With the exception of cameras, absolutely no electronic devices permitted. Cell phones, pagers, games should remain in your mode of transportation or at home.**

ALL EVENTS AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE

All participants and chaperones should report for registration at a location to be announced at a later date. Sponsor packets containing nametags, certificates, and a map to Roscoe Enloe Post 5 will be distributed at that time. Should your guest list change after being submitted to Department Headquarters it is important you contact Theresa Boss by phone, 573-893-2353 or send email to services@missourilegion.org to advise her of any changes.

Registration forms must be submitted to your District Commander/Chairman by **March 15, 2021**. This list must include all Legionnaires, Auxiliary Members, Chaperones, Teachers and Students attending. Please include \$8.00 per person for the luncheon with your list of names. Don't forget to include bus drivers.

District commanders/Chairman should submit their list and luncheon money to Department Headquarters **no later than March 25, 2021**, to meet deadlines for preparing necessary packets and luncheon arrangements.

Any questions you may have should be directed to your District Commander/Chairman. **Please encourage all schools to participate in this program.**

Teacher/Student Registration and Chaperone Registration forms are on this webpage under 'Programs' and 'State Youth Government Day'.



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CHAPERONE REGISTRATION

(Submit to District Commander/Chairman by March 15, 2021)

DISTRICT	DISTRICT COMMANDER / CHAIRMAN NAME		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER		<input type="radio"/> HOME <input type="radio"/> CELL

NAME	TITLE <small>i.e. Commander, Member, President, Teacher</small>	POST / SQUAD / UNIT / SCHOOL	CELL PHONE <small>Important for Dept. Staff</small>
TOTAL NUMBER ATTENDING			
LUNCHEON BUFFET @ ROSCOE ENLOE POST 5 \$8.00/PERSON		<input type="radio"/> Payment Enclosed	TOTAL AMOUNT



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TEACHER / STUDENT REGISTRATON

(Submit to District Commander/Chairman by March 15, 2021)

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