REMINDER

Your Post's Consolidated Post Report (CPR) is due to National by July 1, 2026, if you are completing it electronically though mylegion.org.

If you are submitting it to the Department Headquarters, please have your report submitted by June 15, 2026, to ensure that your report makes it to National by the July 1, 2026 deadline.

CPR's can be faxed, emailed or mailed to the Department Headquarters.

CPR's can be faxed to 573-893-2980, emailed to services@missourilegion.org or membership@missourilegion.org, if you chose to mail your report please send it to:

The American Legion
Department of Missouri
PO Box 179
Jefferson City, MO 65102

If you have any questions about the CPR please call the Department Headquarters at 573-893-2353.

THE AMERICAN LEGION | CONSOLIDATED POST REPORT

2025 - 2026

Department of *(1)*		Post No. *(2)*	District No. *(3)*
Final 2024-2025 Membership *(4)*	City *(5)*		State *(6)*

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND REHABILITATION

7 _____ no. of cases handled by service officer(s)

8 $_____ emergency aid given to veterans from post funds

9 _____ no. of volunteer hours recorded at VA hospitals

10 $_____ contributions to ***VA Voluntary Service*** program

11 ☐ has a ***VA Voluntary Service*** coordinator

12 _____ no. of ***VA Voluntary Service*** volunteers

13 ☐ participated in the ***Be The One*** program

14 _____ no. of members participated in ***Be The One*** training

15 _____ no. of ***Be The One*** events held by post

NATIONAL SECURITY

16 _____ no. of units donated via ***Blood Donor Program***

17 _____ no. of blood donors via ***Blood Donor Program***

18 _____ no. of ***ROTC Medals*** presented by post

19 ☐ has a ***National Security*** chairperson

20 ☐ has a ***Crime Prevention/Law and Order*** program

21 ☐ has a ***Fire Prevention/Protection*** program

22 ☐ participated in ***Homeland Sec/Disaster Relief***

23 ☐ has a ***POW/MIA*** chairperson

24 ☐ has Law Enforcement of the Year program

25 ☐ has ***Fire Fighter of the Year*** program

26 ☐ post has color guard / rifle team

27 _____ no. of wake, funeral or memorial honors provided for veterans

28 $_____ cost to post for wake, funeral or memorial services

29 ☐ post has ceremonial rifles or static display

30 _____ no. of static displays (guns, cannons, etc.)

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

31 ☐ has media relations/PR officer

32 ☐ produced a post publication

33 ☐ maintained a website

34 ☐ distributed a post e-newsletter

35 ☐ has post social media accounts (Facebook, Instagram, X, etc.)

36 _____ no. of times post mentioned on radio

37 _____ no. of times post mentioned on TV

38 _____ no. of times post mentioned in newspaper (stories)

NATIONAL SECURITY

39 ☐ has employment chairperson

40 ☐ has ***Homeless Veterans*** chairperson

41 _____ no. of career fairs participated

42 _____ no. of veterans referred to ***LVER*** or ***DVOP***

43 _____ no. placed in employment

44 _____ no. placed in job training program

45 ☐ promoted programs such as ***Employer of the Year***

46 ☐ post submitted ***Homeless Veterans Outreach*** award

47 ☐ post submitted ***Employer of the Disabled*** award

48 ☐ post submitted ***Employer of Older Workers*** award

49 ☐ award to ***Local Veteran' Employment Representative (LVER)***

50 ☐ award to ***Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program (DVOP)***

51 ☐ award to local office

52 ☐ award for Employer of veterans, large cat/+200 employees

53 ☐ award to Employer of veterans, med cat/50-200 employees

54 ☐ award for Employer of veterans, small cat/less than 50 emp

NATIONAL SECURITY

55 _____ no. of boys sponsored for ***Boys State***

56 $_____ cost to post for Boys State

57 $_____ amount donated for ***Legacy Scholarship***

58 ☐ participated in citizenship/naturalization activities

59 ☐ sponsored ***American Legion Baseball*** team(s)

60 $_____ cost to post for ***American Legion Baseball*** sponsorship

61 ☐ other athletic teams sponsored

62 $_____ cost to post for other teams sponsored

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THE AMERICAN LEGION | CONSOLIDATED POST REPORT

2025 - 2026

AMERICANISM

63 ☐ sponsored ***Scouting*** unit(s)

64 _____ no. of youths in post-sponsored ***Scouting*** unit(s)

65 $_____ amount donated to scouting activities

66 ☐ sponsored local ***Oratorical Contest(s)***

67 _____ no. of local ***Oratorical*** contestants

68 $_____ cost to post for ***Oratorical Contest***

69 ☐ participated in ***School Award*** program

70 _____ no. of awards presented

71 ☐ participated in ***American Education Week***

72 $_____ cost to post for ***American Education Week***

73 _____ no. of scholarships awarded

74 $_____ cost to post for scholarship awards

75 ☐ participated in ***Vets in the Classroom***

76 $_____ cost to post of ***Vets in Classroom***

77 ☐ participated in ***Flag Day*** event(s)

78 ☐ participated in ***Get Out The Vote*** event(s)

79 ☐ participated in ***Veterans Day*** event(s)

80 ☐ participated in ***Memorial Day*** event(s)

81 ☐ participated in ***American Legion Birthday*** event(s)

82 ☐ participated in Four ***Chaplains Sunday*** event(s)

83 _____ no. hours of ***Community Service*** (estimated)

84 $_____ cost to post for ***Community Service*** project(s)

85 _____ no. of ***Jr Shooting Sports Program Clubs*** supported

86 _____ no. of youth involved in ***Jr Shooting Sports Program Clubs***

87 $_____ cost to post for ***Jr Shooting Sports Program Clubs***

88 ☐ participated in ***Youth Cadet Law Enforcement***

89 _____ no. of youth involved in ***Youth Cadet*** program

90 $_____ cost to post for ***Youth Cadet*** program

91 ☐ participated in ***National Day of Prayer*** event(s)

CHILDREN & YOUTH (C&Y)

92 _____ no. of ***C&Y activities*** held

93 $_____ cash aid given to benefit children

94 $_____ value of goods given to children (reasonable estimate)

95 _____ no. of children given aid (cash or goods)

96 _____ no. of volunteer hours for ***C&Y*** programs and activities

97 ☐ participated in ***Halloween Safety***

98 ☐ participated in ***Health & Child Safety***

99 ☐ participated in ***April is C&Y Month***

100 ☐ participated in ***National Family Week***

101 $_____ cost to post for parties, dinners, prizes and gifts

102 ☐ participated in ***Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA)***

103 $_____ cost to post for ***TFA***

104 $_____ administrative costs (paper, equipment, etc.)

105 $_____ cost of all other child service charities

106 $_____ contributions to all other child-servicing/youth organizations

107 $_____ cost to post for ***Veterans & Children Foundation*** activities

INTERNAL AFFAIRS & MEMBERSHIP

108 ☐ has an ***American Legion Riders (ALR)*** chapter

109 _____ no. of Legion family members in ***ALR*** chapter

110 $_____ donations made through ***ALR*** events

111 $_____ cost to post for ***ALR*** operations

112 _____ no. of miles through ***ALR*** events

113 ☐ has a ***Sons of American Legion (SAL)*** squadron

114 _____ no. of ***SAL*** squadron members

115 ☐ participated in ***National Emergency Fund (NEF)*** program

116 $_____ cost to post for ***NEF*** operations

117 $_____ amount of ***NEF*** donations made by post

118 ☐ has a ***American Legion Amateur Radio Club***

119 $_____ cost to post for ***American Legion Amateur Radio Club***

120 ☐ participated in ***Buddy Check***

121 _____ no. of members contacted through ***Buddy Checks***

122 ☐ participated in ***Legion Family Days***

123 _____ no. of ***Legion Family Days*** hosted

124 ☐ sponsored veteran or organization for ***Operation Comfort Warriors*** grant

125 $_____ all other fund raising not captured above

126 _____ any volunteer hours not captured above

Signature	Title	Date

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2025-2026

THE AMERICAN LEGION

Consolidated Post Report

The Consolidated Post Report (CPR), established in 1975 by Resolution No. 7 (October 1974), documents each post's activities for June 1–May 31. Combined with other posts' data, it supports the National Commander's testimony on Capitol Hill under our federal charter. Your post's story gains strength when told collectively.

If your post did not participate in a listed program, or you cannot obtain data by the deadline, leave that section blank. If you ran only one program, report that one. When exact numbers are not available, use a reasonable estimate.

Many items ask for counts (e.g., funeral honors provided, service-officer cases). Some ask for dollars (e.g., National Emergency Fund donations). Do not report cents; round to the nearest dollar.

Type or print clearly in black or dark blue ink. For check boxes, an "X" means "Yes"; leave blank for "No".

Alternatively, the CPR can also be completed online at MyLegion.org. Sign in, select Consolidated Post Reports, and complete the form. Posts are encouraged to use this method and update their figures throughout the year by using the "save draft" feature. Do not forget to select "submit" by July 1. National Headquarters will receive the CPR submission and your department gets a copy automatically. The online form opens before the end of November and remains available through July 1.

If using a paper form, send a copy to your department by its due date and keep the original on file at the post. You may also scan and email forms to CPRandCSRforms@legion.org.

For activities not captured well (e.g., chaplain visitations), attach a brief narrative with photos or clippings. National staff review these and may share highlights with *The American Legion Magazine*.

Department Reminder: July 1 is the final date for transmittal to National Headquarters for post reports to be included in the national tabulation for the specified reporting year.

MAIL: **THE AMERICAN LEGION**
ATTN: IT/MEMBER SUPPORT SERVICES
P.O. BOX 1954
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46206

SCAN & EMAIL: **CPRandCSRforms@legion.org**

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2026 DEPARTMENT CONVENTION
HOUSING REQUEST
July 9 -12, 2026

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HOUSING/HOSPITALITY/CAUCUS ROOM &VENDOR TABLE REQUEST

Oasis Hotel and Convention Center
2546 North Glenstone Ave, Springfield, MO 65803
1-417-866-5253 Group: American Legion

Make reservations directly with the hotel, using a credit card for confirmation be sure to mention you are with The American Legion.

****CUTOFF DATE FOR ALL HOUSING RESERVATIONS IS JUNE 10, 2026****
(Group room rates is not guaranteed after the cutoff date)

Cost per night is $119.00 (plus Sales and Lodging tax)
$25.00 a night incidental fee will be charged during check-in and release at the end of stay

Check in time 4:00 p.m.

HOSPITALITY ROOM

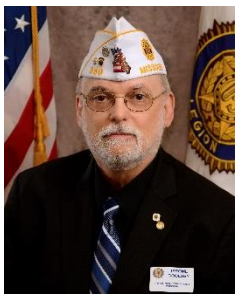
DISTRICT CAUCUS ROOMS

Will be assigned by Department Adjutant at Convention

Table Request for Vendors, Post and Auxiliary

All table requests will be reserved through Department Headquarters.
Please call Theresa Boss to make your request 573-893-2353
Deadline for table request: *June 10, 2026*

The Department Convention Itinerary will not be available before May 1, 2026



DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY BANQUET & USA 250th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Friday, July 10, 2026
Oasis Hotel and Convention Center
2546 North Glenstone Ave
Springfield, MO 65803

6:30 p.m. Dignitaries Reception
7:00 p.m. Dinner
7:30 p.m. Program

Join us in our American Legion Family Celebration Banquet marking the 2025-2026 Department Commander Jerome Goolsby and Department President Wanda Kinder year of service to The Department of Missouri American Legion Family.

Come dressed to impress in your Red, White and Blue!!!!

Please RSVP by June 30, 2026 and remit your banquet reservation(s) of $50.00 per person
(Make Check payable to The American Legion Department of Missouri)
Send to:

The American Legion Department of Missouri
P. O. Box 179
Jefferson City, Mo 65102
If you have any questions, please call: 573-893-2353

Person(s) attending:

_____

_____ Total Included: _____

The American Legion
For God and Country

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LOWRY A. FINLEY-JACKSON, DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT

April 29, 2026

CALL FOR

ONE HUNDRETH AND SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, INC.

The One Hundredth and Seventh Annual Convention of The American Legion Department of Missouri, Inc., is hereby called and in conformity with the action of the One Hundredth and Fifth Convention, will be held **July 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, 2026** at the **Oasis Hotel and Convention Center, 2546 N. Glenstone, Springfield, MO 65803.**

PURPOSE

The Convention is called for the election of officers for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it.

REPRESENTATION

1. In the Department Convention, each Post shall be entitled to one vote, and in addition thereto, one vote for each fifty (50) members, or major portion thereof whose current National and Department dues have been received by the Department Adjutant not later than ten days before the convening of the Department Convention. Section 2, Article V, Department By-Laws.
2. No Post shall be allowed a vote in the Department Convention that shall not have certified to the Department Headquarters on or before November 1, preceding such convention, a bona fide list of its Post officers for the year beginning October 1 preceding said November 1, Section 4, Article IX, Department By-Laws.
3. Absent Delegates. In the Department Convention, the vote of any absent delegate not represented by any alternate, shall be cast by a majority of the delegates present from his Post. If no delegate or alternate from any Post is present, the vote of such Post may be cast by a majority of the delegates from its District. Proxies are not recognized in the Department Convention and shall not be used. Section 3, Article V, Department By-Laws.

CREDENTIALS

Credential certificates, certifying the delegates and alternates, signed by both the Post Commander and Adjutant, should be mailed to the Department Headquarters immediately upon election of such delegates and alternates and not received later than **ten (10) days prior to convening of the convention or Tuesday, June 30, 2026.**

REGISTRATION

The Department Executive Committee did levy a ***$10.00 registration fee to be paid when submitting Delegate/Alternate certifications to Department Headquarters. Non-refundable.***

DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Department Executive Committee, as now constituted, is hereby called, and will be held in the Maui Ballroom meeting room **at 8:15 p.m. Thursday July 9, 2026.**

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

In order to facilitate the business of the Convention, each District should select prior to **June 16, 2026,** one member for each of the following Committees: **RESOLUTIONS, CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, and CREDENTIALS.**

In selecting members for these Committees, Districts should select Legionnaires who will be in Springfield in time for the organization meetings of each of the below designated Committees:

The CREDENTIALS Committee will meet in the **Mojave meeting room**, **at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, July 9, 2026.**

The RESOLUTIONS Committee will meet in **Bora Bora Conference room, at 9:00 a.m., Friday, July 10, 2026.**

The CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS Committee will meet in **Sahara B meeting room, at 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 10, 2026.**

NAMES, ADDRESSES, DISTRICT AND POST NUMBER of the delegates selected to serve on these Committees should be forwarded to the Department Headquarters IMMEDIATELY after their selection and received not later than **Monday June 16, 2026.**

RESOLUTIONS

All Resolutions should be prepared in TRIPLICATE, TYPEWRITTEN, DOUBLE SPACED and MAILED to the DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, NOT LATER THAN NOON, **Monday, June 8, 2026.** Resolutions should bear a caption indicating the SUBJECT MATTER.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS AMENDMENTS Section 1, Article XIX of the Department By-Laws read as follows: "These By-Laws may be amended at any Department Convention by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the total authorized representation thereof, provided that such proposed amendments shall have been submitted by the Department Adjutant to the members of the Department Executive Committee by mailing same to them at least 15 days prior to the convening of said convention or by publishing same in the Missouri Legionnaire at least once prior to the convening of said convention, except however in cases of emergency the Department Executive Committee may present, through the Convention Constitutional Amendments Committee, an amendment by a two-thirds vote at the meeting of said Department Executive Committee held immediately preceding the convention. An amendment shall be in force upon adjournment of such Department Convention."

DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

Department Headquarters will be opened by the Department Adjutant in the Convention Coat Room **at 3 P.M., Thursday, July 9, 2026.** Only business which pertains strictly to convention matters should be addressed to Convention Headquarters. NOTE: All scheduled meetings, etc., will be in accordance with the prevailing time of the Convention City.

Jerome Goolsby
Jerome Goolsby, Dept. Commander

Lowry A. Finley -Jackson
Lowry Finley-Jackson, Dept. Adjutant

CERTIFICATE - DELEGATES – ALTERNATES
ONE HUNDREDTH AND SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
The American Legion Department of Missouri, Inc.
Springfield, MO July 9,10,11,&12, 2026

To: The American Legion Dept. of Mo., P.O. Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102 Date_____

This is to certify that Post No. _____ of District _____ has selected the following delegates and alternates, as members fully paid up and in good standing, to represent it at the One Hundredth and Sixth Annual Department Convention of The American Legion.

Chairman of Delegation _____

Secretary of Delegation _____

REGISTRATION FEE OF $10.00 PER PERSON HAS BEEN LEVIED

Name and Membership I.D. Number

Delegates **Alternates**:

Paid up membership of Post as of **June 30, 2026**_____ **(Entered at Dept. Hdqts.)**

(Mail a Copy to Department Adjutant, keep A Copy for your records and bring a copy to Department Convention.)

_____ _____

Post Adjutant **(Must be signed By Both)** **Post Commander**

NOTICE REGISTRATION

The Department Executive Committee has levied a $10.00 per person badge registration fee.

Registration will be at the Oasis Hotel and Conference Center Coat Room located in the Grand Lobby of the Convention Center

Guests are to be submitted on a separate list and attached to this form.

********This form is due to Department Headquarters by June 30, 2026*******

THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Sponsored By

Past Post Commander's Club

THURSDAY, JULY 9 2026

OASIS HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER

9:00 AM

(BACK-UP LOCATION – LEGION POST 125)

Registration:

$30

Per Person
NLT 1 July

2-Person Teams

Cash Prizes!

Best of 3 - Advances

50/50 Drawing

Grab a Partner or Come Solo We'll Match You Up!

All Proceeds Benefit: Dept of Missouri Charitable Account

Make Checks Payable To: American Legion Dept of MO

Name: _____

Teammate: _____

Solo: ☐

Phone #: _____

Mail To:

Betty Gonzales
34 Countrywood Dr
St. Peters, MO 63376

For Additional Info:
Betty (636) 485-9772

THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI

SPONSOR YOUR CORNHOLE

Sponsored By

Past Post Commander's Club

THURSDAY, JULY 9 2026

OASIS HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER
9:00 AM

All Proceeds Benefit:

Dept of Missouri

Charitable Account

Yes, I would like to sponsor this event with a $50 Donation

Make Checks Payable To: American Legion Dept of MO

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____

Phone #: _____

Mail To:

Betty Gonzales
34 Countrywood Dr
St. Peters, MO 63376

2026 NATIONAL CONVENTION

Hyatt Regency
320 West Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202

Housing Form Only

(Do not contact Hotel for reservation information)

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT LEGION HEADQUARTERS JULY 15, 2026

_____
Name

_____
Address City State Zip Code

Daytime telephone _____ Email_____

Housing with_____
Spouse or other (Names)

World of Hyatt membership # _____

Rooms are 1 or 2 persons. Additional occupancy add $10.00, everyone in the room must be registered with the hotel

Circle your preference of Rooms type, however, there are no guarantees.

I prefer a room with (1 Bed - King) or (2 Beds - Queens) **$164.72** Tax included
Rollaway -$25.00
(Identify type handicap – hearing – wheelchair – visually impaired)

_____ _____ _____
ARRIVAL DATE ARRIVAL TIME DEPARTURE DATE

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Housing (1st night's deposit only please)

Enclosed is my check payable to
The American Legion Dept. of MO
in the amount of $164.72 tax included.

(This form is for housing only)

Send to: The American Legion, P.O. Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102

FOR REGISTRATION AND OTHER EVENTS USE OTHER FORM.

2026 National Convention Fact Sheet

Hotel: Hyatt Regency Louisville – 320 West Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202 Check in: 4:00PM Check out : 11:00 AM

Registration Room: Thursday, August 27 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
Friday, August 28 - 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, August. 29 - 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Location: Gulfstream- Hialeah meeting room - 2nd Floor

Missouri Caucus: Sunday, 1:00 pm, August 30 : Location: Gulfstream- Hialeah meeting room - 2nd Floor

Airport shuttle: None

Parking: Self-Parking $30.00 Valet Only -$40.00 per day

Room: Rooms Available: Kings & Double Queen / limited Accessible rooms are available

Amenities:

Swimming Pool – yes - indoor -located on the fourth floor

Fitness Facility – yes

Coffee pot – yes

Refrigerator – yes -small compact

Microwave – no

Iron and board – yes

Hair dryer – yes

TV – yes

Safe – yes

Laundry Service – no

Internet services – yes

Restaurants & Lounges - yes - Starbucks located on first floor

Café/Shops: Many Shops and Cafe's within walking of the Hotel and Convention center.

Grocery Store & Package Store: within 2 miles of the hotel

Hotel is .10 miles (across the street) from Convention Center

Registration and Housing Forms can be found on Department Website

2026 NATIONAL CONVENTION

REGISTRATION

Hyatt Regency Louisville
320 West Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202

CUT-OFF DATE JULY 15, 2026

Name Legion ID#

Post # _____ Unit # _____ Squadron # _____

Address

City State Zip Code

Daytime telephone_____ Email_____

REGISTRATION

$35.00 per person

No one will be allowed in the Exhibit Hall, Emblem Sales, shuttle transportation or in the general session if the registration fee is not paid.

Auxiliary members attending as delegates or alternates must pay their registration fee through the Auxiliary.

Guest's name:

(#) Registration fee @ $35.00 per person **$**_____

(#) Missouri Hospitality Room @20.00 per person ? **$**_____

(#) National Commander's Banquet @$75.00 per person (Entertainment Pending) **$**_____

Total **$**_____

Make check payable to The American Legion Dept. of MO
P.O. Box 179
Jefferson City, MO 65102

2026 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER COMPETITION

The power and importance of a Post Newsletter is indescribable. Effectively used, it is an unbelievably valuable tool for communicating to the members of the Post the news, events, and programs that make The American Legion such a dynamic organization of veterans. Every Post should be communicating their news to their members. This news gives the members a sense of pride and accomplishment and makes them want to be a part of their Post and take part in programs if they can.

To recognize the importance of Post newsletters, The Department of Missouri conducts an annual Post Newsletter competition to recognize the most outstanding newsletters. There are five awards, one for each of five membership categories. The five awards based on membership are: Category 1, 15 to 50 members; Category 2, 51 to 100 members; Category 3, 101 to 200 members; Category 4, 201 to 500 members; and Category 5,501 or more members. Only first place is awarded in each category.

Winners of the Newsletter competition are announced at the Department Convention, and the awards are presented to each winner at the Fall Conference.

A post should present one year of their Post Newsletter in a folder, binder, or book. A Post may also send one year of their post newsletter in digital format on a thumb drive, a CD or DVD is acceptable. The submission needs to be in only one form, printed or digital.

Judging is based on:

a. Neatness and legibility as well as the information contained in the newsletters.
b. Informative content: Organized by activities/programs/news-information (from Post to Department and vice-versa).
c. Internal Content: Organized articles by officers and/or committees.
d. Membership growth & retention: Newsletter presenting information on recruitment and retaining membership.
e. Calendar of Events: A list of events scheduled to take place within the post and other events of importance that members should be aware of. (Items should have dates, time and location of each event and shouldreflect timely notice to all members so members can take part in the events.)
f. Judge's Discretion: Judges overall opinion.

Any advertising contained in the newsletters should have a disclaimer to the effect that the below or above-named business donates to and supports our Legion programs.

The Media & Communication Commission's goal is that every Post that publishes a newsletter will send their newsletter for competition at the Department Convention. Newsletters submitted for competition should be hand deliveredto the Department Convention Office before 9:00 am Friday, July 10, 2026 or must be mailed to The American Legion, Department of Missouri, ATTN: Media and Communications Commission, P.O. Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0179 so they arrive NLT July 7, 2025.

For information concerning this program, contact Commission Chairman Theadore McCart (314)550-9791 or by E-mail at tmccart09@gmail.com.

2027 CERTIFICATION OF POST OFFICIALS 2027

Send to: The American Legion, PO Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102 - 0179

_____ _____
Name of Post Post number

_____ _____ _____
District Located in the City of County

IMPORTANT -- Your Post **Will Not** receive the new membership cards until you return this completed form to Department Headquarters. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ADJUTANT OR PREVIOUS ADJUTANT TO COMPLETE AND MAIL THIS FORM. Forward immediately following the election.

IMPORTANT -- Department mail list of POST OFFICIALS and DIRECTORY are prepared from information on this certification.

Print or Type Name, Complete Mailing Address, Phone Number and Email if applicable	Date of Military Enlistment	Date of Military Discharge	Military Rank and Branch	American Legion Membership #
Commander Address Phone: ( ) Email:				
Adjutant Address Phone: ( ) Email:				
Finance Officer Address Phone: ( ) Email:				
Membership Chrmn. Address Phone: ( ) Email:				

List additional officers on back side

Membership supplies & mailings will go to Post Adjutant unless specify otherwise below.

Send Post Mail To: _____
Indicate Officer of Post Commander/Adjutant/Finance Officer etc.

_____
Street Or P.O. Box

_____
City State Zip

Early submission of Officers List** (9/01/2026) **will ensure your Post listing in the 2026/2027Department Directory.

Additional Officers:

Print or Type Name, Complete Mailing Address, Phone Number and Email if applicable	Date of Enlistment	Date of Discharge	Rank and Branch	American Legion Membership #
Vice Commander Address				
Vice Commander Address				
Service Officer Address				
Historian Address				
Chaplain Address				
Judge Advocate Address				
Sergeant-at-Arms Address				

Post Meeting Dates _____Time _____ Post Phone (___)_____

Not to be Post Officers Home Phone #

Physical Address of Post _____

Street City Zip

Post Meeting Place If Not At Post _____

Annual Dues $ _____ Are Officials Bonded? _____ Is Post Incorporated _____

DEPARTMENT BY-LAWS:

ARTICLE IX, SEC. 2 Each Post in the Department shall have a Commander, one or more Vice Commanders, an Adjutant, a Finance Officer, a Chaplain, a Historian, a Sergeant-at-Arms, and such other officers as may be provided by the Constitution and By-laws of the Post.

ARTICLE IX, SEC. 3 The election of Post Officers for the ensuing year shall be held at least thirty days (6/10/26) but not more than sixty days (5/10/26), prior to the the Department Convention (7/09/26) Officers elected shall be installed after the Department Convention, but not later than 10/10/26, after the adjournment of the Annual Department Convention.

POST OFFICER BONDING:

ARTICLE XV, SEC 4 Department By-Laws provides that all Post officials handling American Legion monies shall be properly bonded with a good and solvent bonding and surety company, or by other duly qualified bond, as surety. Bonds should be approved annually by the Post. Many local insurance brokers/agents provide such coverage.

Pursuant to the Department Constitution and By-Laws, I hereby certify that the following Officers have been duly elected to serve the Post as indicated below and that I have examined the service record of each and find them eligible to belong to The American Legion.

Certified by _____

Post Adjutant/Officer Date

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Category I -- Legionnaire to recruit **3 New Members** by May 10, 2026 will be announced during General Session.

Category II -- Legionnaire to recruit **5 New Members** by May 10, 2026 will receive a Certificate.

Category III -- Legionnaire to recruit **10 New Members** by May 10, 2026 will receive a Plaque.

Category IV -- Legionnaire to recruit **25 New Members** by May 10, 2026 will receive a Plaque.

Category V -- Legionnaire to recruit **50 New Members** by May 10, 2026 will receive a Plaque.

Largest Post –Membership must be received at Department Headquarters by July 1, 2026. **(Postmarked not honored)**

Auxiliary Members -- Any Auxiliary member to recruit 3 **New Legion Members** for 2026 by May 10, 2026 will receive a certificate. The Auxiliary member who recruits the most Legion Members will receive a certificate of recognition.

Recruiters Name should only be submitted once. New member names and membership numbers must be provided to be considered This form should not be submitted to Department Headquarters before April 10, 2026 to ensure proper credit is given to the recruiter. New Members names will be verified at Department. This form must be returned to Department no later than May 10, 2026.

Recruiters Name_____Post No._____

New Members Names:	Post No.	New Members Names:	Post No.
1_____		2_____	
3_____		4_____	
5_____		6_____	
7_____		8_____	
9_____		10_____	

THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI
JUNIOR ROTC CADET
OF THE YEAR
2026

Name and Contact Information

Name: _____

High School: _____ Phone #: _____

JROTC Unit: _____JROTC Unit Email: _____

JROTC Unit Address: Street _____

City _____ MO, Zip Code _____

JROTC Phone #: _____ Military Service Associated with: _____

Cadet Rank: _____ Grade Point Average: _____

JROTC Medals & Ribbons

(List your medals and ribbons in order of highest precedence
and indicate multiple earned medals and ribbons – Spell out award name)

1_____ 2 _____

3_____ 4 _____

5_____ 6 _____

7_____ 8 _____

9_____ 10 _____

11_____ 12 _____

Other JROTC Awards

(List any award received and year received. Do not list additional Medals & Ribbons from the above section)

1_____ 2 _____

3_____ 4 _____

5_____ 6 _____

7_____ 8 _____

9_____ 10. _____

Participation in Your JROTC Unit Leadership Positions and Roles

(List your top 4 JROTC participation with most recent listed first)

1. School Year _____ Rank at Time _____

Briefly describe your most important accomplishment or award while in this position.

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2. School Year _____ Rank at Time _____

Briefly describe your most important accomplishment or award while in this position.

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3. School Year _____ Rank at Time _____

Briefly describe your most important accomplishment or award while in this position.

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4. School Year _____ Rank at Time _____

Briefly describe your most important accomplishment or award while in this position.

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Cadet Last Name:

Participation in Activities with The American Legion

List any participation with The American Legion as either a member of one of the Legion organizations or member of the JROTC. List up to six activities.

1. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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2. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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3. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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4. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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5. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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Cadet Last Name:

6. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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Participation in Activities or Organizations other than the JROTC or The American Legion

List up to four activities

1. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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2. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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3. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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4. Activity (enter activity and year) _____

Briefly describe your participation in the activity

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Cadet Last Name:

Membership in the American Legion Family

Are you currently a member of the Sons of the American Legion or American Legion Auxiliary?

If YES what Squadron or Unit: _____ # of Years as a member: _____

Post name and number affiliated with: _____

Cadet Last Name:

What are your Goals after High School?

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Cadet Printed Name and Signature

Printed Name and Signature of Parent or Guardian

JROTC SENIOR INSTRUCTOR ENDORSMENT

(Provide your endorsement of the cadet below)

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Signature of Instructor

Department of Missouri American Legion
JROTC Cadet of the Year
2026

The application for the Department of Missouri American Legion JROTC Cadet of the Years consists of:

Completed application form

Photograph of cadet in service dress uniform at least 5” x 7” in size

Instructions for Completion of the Application Form

Cadet of The Year must be a cadet currently in or just completed their junior year of high school when the application is sent.

The cadet will fill out the first six pages of the application. The senior instructor should review the application for accuracy and provide their written endorsement on page seven of the application. Any JROTC program will submit only one application.

Additional Information Sheet: If there is not enough space on the application then list additional relevant information on a separate page. Do not list more entries than requested on the application.

Additional page(s) will have the below information centered at the top of this page:

Additional Information for Section:
(enter title of the section from the application)
Cadet Rank & Name
Page ___ of ___

Name and Contact Information: Provide accurate name and contact information as requested in this section.

JROTC Medals & Ribbons: List your top 12 medals and ribbons earned through JROTC. The medals/ribbons need to be listed in order of precedence as viewed when looking at your uniform. The medal/ribbon with the highest precedence will go in block one. Indicate if you have been awarded the medal/ribbon more than once. On the medal/ribbon line you can enter OLC with the number of times received. Example: Top Performer Award & 2 OLC.

Other JROTC Awards: List up to 10 other JROTC awards you have received and the school year it was earned (i.e. 2024-2025). Enter most recent awards first. **Do not** list additional Medals and Ribbons that would go in JRTOC Medals & Ribbons entry above.

Cadet Last Name: Enter last name of cadet at the bottom left of pages other than the first page.

Unit Leadership Positions and Roles: Document your participation in your JROTC unit. Enter most recent school year participation first and go back in chronological order.

> **School Year**: Enter in the appropriate school year it was earned (i.e. 2024-2025).
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> **Rank at time**: Identify the rank you held while in this position.
>
> **Accomplishment**: Summarize your MOST significant accomplishments while in this position. If you received an award for this accomplishment, explain what you did to earn it (be very specific) on your additional information sheet.
>
> **What we are looking for: 1)** Leadership role, **2)** Significance of the accomplishment

Participation in Activities with The American Legion: If you have participated in activities associated with the American Legion then provide the details in this space. If known enter the post number associated with. Examples may include Veterans and Memorial Day events, parades, events at an American Legion post or Flag Day ceremonies. Legion activities can be associated with The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion or American Legion Riders.

> **What we are looking for: 1)** Leadership role, **2)** Significance of the accomplishment

Participation in Activities or Organizations other than the JROTC or The American Legion: List any activity you are active in that would not fit into the above sections.

> **Activity**: List the activity or organization you were associated with. List most recent and go back in chronological order. Examples may include student body government elected positions, captain of sports team, positions in a church group or FFA. List activities with other veteran organizations here also (VFW, DAV, or SAR are examples).
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> **Office Held**: If you held a leadership position for that activity then list it.

Accomplishment: Summarize your MOST significant accomplishment while in this position.

What we are looking for: 1) Leadership role, **2)** Active involvement,

Membership in the American Legion Family: If you are a member of one of these Legion organizations list this information here to include post, unit, squadron or chapter associated with.

What are your Goals after High School: In the space provided, describe what your plans are upon graduating from high school? Do not enter information for this section on an additional information page.

Signatures: The application must be signed by both the cadet and parent or legal guardian to be accepted for award consideration.

Senior Instructor Endorsement: In the space provided the senior instructor will provide written endorsement. Be specific on Americanism and Leadership qualities demonstrated by the cadet in the JROTC unit, school and community. Signature of senior instructor is required.

Award Package Submission

Award package will consist of completed application by cadet, endorsement by senior instructor, and full-length photograph (portrait orientation) of cadet in service uniform with current rank and ribbons. Photo should be at least 5” x 7” on photo paper.

Mail application and photograph in large envelope so application and photograph are not folded.

Mail to:

The American Legion Dept of Missouri
Attn: ROTC Committee Chairman
P.O. Box 179
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Completed awards packages must be received by **June 24, 2026** for consideration.

2026 Membership Recruiter

This form is to be completed by the Post Adjutant or Post Membership Chairman to submit names for Membership Recruiter Awards. Send to Department Headquarters at P.O. Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102, no later than May 10, 2026.

Post #_____District_____

Please Mail Pins To:

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Recruiters Name	***# Of New***	***Renewal***	***Department Will complete Total***

Recruiters Name	***# Of New***	***Renewal***	***Dept. will complete Total***

"TOOT OUR HORNS AWARD PROGRAM"

A project of the Media and Communications Commission, Department of Missouri

This program is to encourage each post in Missouri to promote the American Legion in local and state media; to increase participation in District and Department functions; to improve public relations with non-members; to encourage posts to set and attain goals they can be proud of in support of American Legion and veteran programs; to encourage non-member veterans to join the American Legion, and to encourage posts to develop a line of communication between them and their members.

A 'TOOT OUR HORN' plaque will be presented to each post qualifying with "BARS" to be added for each completed membership year that the post participates in this program. This application MUST BE RECEIVED NOT LATER THAN JUNE 30th of the membership year that this award is being applied for. Posts qualifying for the TOOT OUR HORN award will be announced at the Department Convention and the awards will be presented at the Fall Conference. Listings of all Post(s) receiving their award for the current year will also be published in the "*Missouri Legionnaire*."

REQUIREMENTS

Complete a minimum of 5 out of the following 10 categories:

____At least 6 advertisements, notice of meetings, or listings in local media (newspaper, television, radio, etc.) announcing Post meetings

____Publish a Post newsletter. This may be paper or emailed. (attach copy of newsletter)

____At least 1 Post member attending the State Convention (provide a list of those who attended, signed by the Post Commander or Adjutant)

____At least 1 post member attending the State Spring DEC meeting or Fall Conference (provide a list of those who attended, signed by the Post Commander or Adjutant)

____Post participation in a community event (parade, fair, troop rally, etc) (Attach a photo, newspaper clipping, etc.)

____Philanthropic activity (e.g., benefits, fund-raisers for a charitable cause, food pantry collections, bell ringing for Salvation Army, etc.)

____Conduct a new member recruiting campaign or Post revitalization campaign

____Conduct a complete Buddy Check

____Attain 100% or membership goal for current year by the May National target date.

____Maintain a post web presence (webpage, Facebook, centennial page)

Complete a minimum of 3 of the following categories

____Conduct monthly meetings

____One or more members of the Post are a District Officer (provide name(s) and office(s) held

____One or more members of the Post are a Department Officer (provide name(s) and office(s) held

____Host a District meeting

____Submit the Consolidated Post Report for the current year (attach copy)

____Submit a Certified Post Officer list to Department within 30 days of Department Convention

Reporting is to be done on this form as soon as requirements are met but no later than June 30th of the current membership year.

Copies of substantiating materials must accompany this application.

Post Name and Post Number: _____

Membership year submitted for:_____, Date submitted: _____

SIGNATURE OF POST COMMANDER OR ADJUTANT: _____

SEND THIS APPLICATION BY MAIL WITH SUBSTANTIATING MATERIAL(S) TO: The American Legion, Department of Missouri, ATTN: Media & Communications Commission, P.O. Box 179, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0179 or BY E-MAIL TO TED McCART at tmccart09@gmail.com

This form up dated on October 15, 2025

USA250 Challenge.

Department of Missouri Initiative

September 1, 2025 – July 4, 2026

Proposal

For the Department of Missouri to create a program, overseen by the 250th Anniversary Committee, to support participation in The American Legion's National USA 250 Challenge.

Scope

Reflecting on the successes of the *100 Miles for Hope*, the USA 250 Challenge has three Challenge Categories:

Fitness Challenge

- Log 250 miles or hours through walking, running, cycling, swimming, etc.
- *Team example: 10 members walk 25 miles each.*
- *Suggested Missouri tie-in: Walk portions of the Katy Trail or hike in the Ozark National Scenic Riverways.*

Wellness Challenge

- Achieve the number 250 related to mental and emotional well-being activities.
- Examples include performing 250 hours of yoga, conducting 250 buddy checks, signing up 250 participants for the *Be the One* training, or Riders covering 250 miles.
- *Suggested Missouri tie-in: Riders could plan a 250-mile route across historic Route 66 in Missouri or Katy Trail.*

Community Service Challenge

- Complete 250 hours of community service to achieve the number 250 related to such an activity.
- Examples include collecting and sending 250 care packages to service members, cleaning up 250 gravestones at a veteran's cemetery, teaching flag advocacy to 250 students, and more.

- *Suggested Missouri tie-in: Clean and honor graves at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery or Springfield National Cemetery.*

Note: There are many more challenges under each category, and additional ones are being considered.

Discussion

The USA 250 Challenge is a “canned” program provided by National. Participants from the Legion Family would need to enroll in the program via the portal, follow the rules, and purchase the commemorative shirt (with proceeds going to Veterans & Children Foundation (VCF)).

The national program has the tools to track the successes of the participants. This accessible data will be used to determine if criteria (to be developed) has been met for monetary awards (to be approved).

Suggested Awards

The individual or group must meet eligibility rules and challenge criteria to be considered for awards. These awards are available to both individuals and groups.

Criteria

- All participants, whether individually or in a group, must enroll in the TAL USA 250 Challenge.
- An individual or group must complete a minimum of five challenges, and may only duplicate one particular challenge, no later than July 4, 2026.

Recommended Awards

- Five (5) $250 cash awards
- 10 challenge coins featuring the Missouri Bicentennial design or Gateway Arch imagery

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Request

That this program be adopted and funded by the Department of Missouri, and executed by the 250th Anniversary Committee, Ken Gulledge, Committee Chair.

Financial request: $2,000.00

Challenges available

Note: You may complete any challenge, mix if you wish, but you may only duplicate one specific challenge. A minimum of five challenges is required. You may choose to do one challenge twice, but each of the other three must be different.

- 250 hours of community service
- 250 care packages to Missouri National Guard members or deployed troops
- Cleaning 250 Veteran Gravestones at **Jefferson Barracks** or **Springfield National Cemetery**
- Teach flag advocacy to 250 Missouri students
- Log 250 miles or hours through walking, running, cycling, swimming, etc. (e.g., Katy Trail rides or Ozark hikes)
- Perform 250 hours of yoga or wellness workshops at Missouri Legion Posts
- Conduct 250 buddy checks with Missouri veterans
- Sign up 250 for the *Be the One* training
- Riders could cover 250 miles on **Route 66 across Missouri**
- Collect/Retire 250 worn flags at Missouri posts and memorial sites
- Distribute 250 wreaths on **Wreaths Across America Day**
- Collect and distribute 250 items to Homeless Vets or Seniors in Kansas City, St. Louis, or Springfield
- Invite 250 veterans to a dinner or breakfast hosted by local posts
- 250 toys for Toys for Tots (St. Louis or Kansas City drives)
- Spend 250 minutes in Missouri classrooms teaching civic and veteran history
- 250 hours of mentorship for Missouri youth programs like Boys State
- Spend 250 hours with a veteran in Missouri nursing homes
- Volunteer 250 hours at Missouri VA Hospitals (Columbia, St. Louis, Mexico, Kansas City)
- Call 250 games of Veterans Bingo at local posts
- Be a Marine, chew 250 crayons (humorous tradition retained)

New Challenges are added all the time

Make it a 250 thing!

Website,

https://www.legion.org/get-involved/community-programs/usa250/challenge

NATIONAL COMMANDER DAN K. WILEY'S
<u>103 PERCENT MEMBERSHIP GOAL</u>
2026 MEMBERSHIP EXCELLENCE INCENTIVE PIN
(CERTIFICATION FORM)

This form must be sent to the department headquarters to be verified by the department adjutant.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Membership ID Number: _____

Street Address or PO Box: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

A DOG TAG COIN WILL BE AWARDED TO ANY POST COMMANDER, DISTRICT COMMANDER, COUNTY COMMANDER, DIVISION COMMANDER, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER OR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN WHO ACHIEVES 103 PERCENT OF THEIR ASSIGNED MEMBERSHIP GOAL FOR 2026. <u>COINS WILL BE MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE RECIPIENT UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.</u>

☐ **MAIL TO RECIPIENT** ☐ **MAIL TO DEPARTMENT**

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS JUNE 30, 2026, OR UNTIL SUPPLIES ARE EXHAUSTED.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INDIVIDUAL LISTED ABOVE HAS REACHED 103 PERCENT OF THEIR 2026 MEMBERSHIP GOAL.

_____
Department Adjutant

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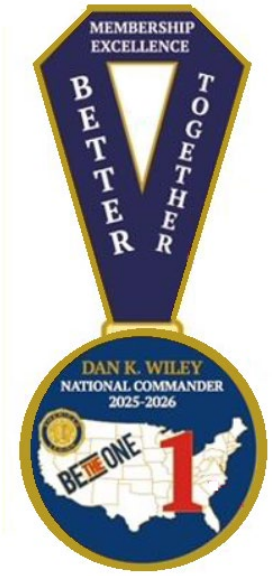
Date



For Department use only – return completed forms to:
The American Legion
Internal Affairs & Membership Division
PO Box 1055
Indianapolis, IN 46206

Fax: 317-630-1413
Email: kadams@legion.org

NATIONAL COMMANDER DAN K. WILEY'S
2026 MEMBERSHIP EXCELLENCE INCENTIVE PIN
CERTIFICATION FORM

Please make sure that the address, phone number and email address provided is for the recruiter and not the post.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Membership ID Number: _____

Street Address or PO Box: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

☐ **MAIL TO RECRUITER** ☐ **MAIL TO POST**

TO QUALIFY YOU NEED TO RECRUIT (2) NEW MEMBERS INTO THE AMERICAN LEGION.

(A NEW MEMBER IS DEFINED AS ANY ELIGIBLE VETERAN JOINING FOR THE 2026 MEMBERSHIP YEAR WHO WAS NOT A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DURING THE 2025 MEMBERSHIP YEAR). TRANSFERS DO NOT COUNT AS NEW MEMBERS.)

NEW AUXILIARY MEMBERS AND SAL MEMBERS DO NOT COUNT TOWARDS THIS INCENTIVE. PLEASE FORWARD THE NAMES OF NEW SAL MEMBERS OR AUXILIARY MEMBERS TO YOUR SQUADRON OR UNIT FOR USE IN THEIR RESPECTIVE INCENTIVE PROGRAMS. CONTACT YOUR STATE HEADQUARTERS FOR MORE INFORMATION.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN PROCESSED BEFORE SUBMISSION. COINS WILL NOT BE MAILED UNTIL THEY ARE VERIFIED ON THE NATIONAL DATABASE.

THE DEADLINE FOR THIS INCENTIVE IS JUNE 30, 2026, OR UNTIL SUPPLIES ARE EXHAUSTED.

(2) NEW MEMBERS:
(Include full name, ID number, department, post)

1. _____

2. _____

Return completed forms to:
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Indianapolis, IN 46206

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