

TO: Post Adjutant
FROM: Don Pankake, Department Community Service Chairman
DATE: March 2011
SUBJECT: **Community Service Program Competition**

Please read over carefully!

Community service is an important part of every Legion program. The activities of our Posts throughout Minnesota prove that very point. This is a competition between Posts and any Post can be a winner. You are allowed **\$10.00 for every hour of your member's volunteered time** plus **any donations** that your Post may have made in each category. The \$10.00 for time is to make this more interesting and gives the Posts without gambling a shot at being a winner and it has made a difference.

No matter how large or small, successful or unsuccessful, all projects need to be reported. If you have no hours and dollars, put down 1 hour for your time and send it in. This is probably the simplest form you have to fill out this year.

Four certificates will be awarded at the Department Convention in each District to the Posts that report the best overall Community Service Program. One in each of the following four membership categories: Category I - Posts with membership of 10 to 100; Category II – Posts of 101 to 250; Category III – Posts of 251 to 700; and Category IV – Posts of 701 and above. Also, a plaque will be given to the Posts with the highest volunteer hours per member in each (4) category. There will also be one plaque awarded to each (4) category for the most outstanding financial report. Remember volunteer hours can and have often overtaken gambling dollars spent.

This is a fun contest and your Post deserves a chance to “Be a Winner”!

**MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: Jennifer Kelley, Program Coordinator
The American Legion, Dept of Minnesota
20 West 12th Street, Room 300A
St. Paul, MN 55155-2000**

Please have your reports to Department Headquarters **postmarked by the Saturday, June 4, deadline! No exceptions on the deadline date!**

Don Pankake, Chairman - 320/587-7000
Jennifer Kelley, Program Coordinator - 651/291-1800 or toll free 866/259-916

COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT- 2011
The American Legion, Department of Minnesota

Fill out this report to the best of your knowledge. This information is for the Community Service competition plaques and awards. Any Post can win an award. Every hour and every dollar counts. Dollars are calculated by actual donation dollars plus an additional \$10.00 per hour for every hour of volunteered time since May 1, 2010. You will be surprised at how many you have when you start adding them up.

Children and Youth Activities and Contributions

Special Education, United Fund Drive, Red Cross, Cancer,
Children in Distress, Special Olympics, Plus other Post Activities related:

Hours _____ Total \$ _____

Veterans Affairs, Hospitals and Rehabilitation

Post Service Officer, Aid from Post Funds, VA Hospital Programs & Vol. Hrs.
Vets Home Vol. Hrs., Post Vets in Distress, Pheasant Dinners:

Hours or Expenses incurred directly for veterans Hours _____ Total \$ _____

Americanism Programs

Boys State, A.L. Baseball, Boy Scouts, Shooting Sports, Oratorical Contest,
Aid to School Sports, Music & the Arts, Energy Conservation, Memorial Day,
Veterans Day in the Schools, Education Week, Drill Teams, Color Guard, etc.
Include any Program you feel falls under Americanism.

Hours _____ Total \$ _____

Military Funerals for Comrades

Number of Funerals and/or Memorial Services since last Department Convention _____

(For Volunteer Funeral Hours always use a (minimum of 21 hrs) or 3 hrs per funeral detail member per funeral):

Hours _____ Total \$ _____

Donations for Service done for your Community

This total is for anything your Post does for your community that is not listed above. Parks, Swimming pools, Vets Parks, Flags, Ball Parks, City Donations, Senior Citizens Groups, etc:

Hours _____ Total \$ _____

Add up Two Columns for the Grand Totals _____ \$ _____

Dist # _____ Post Name _____ Post Number _____ City _____

2010 Post Goal Membership _____

Person completing this report

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

(Phone needed if we have questions)