



VETERAN AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

The Auxiliary's Veterans and Affairs and Rehabilitation program provides service and financial assistance to veterans and their families. Auxiliary members are interested in restoring the veteran and his/her family to normal functions – physically, mentally, socially, and vocationally. Members provide emotional support and cheerful companionship while attending to the hospitalized, handicapped and home bound veteran's physical comforts. In a single year, veterans programs utilized the services of more than 100,000 hospital field and home service volunteers who donated millions of dollars and millions of hours to assist veterans.

The Auxiliary gift shops and holiday parties have become an essential part of the VA program. The Poppy program provides therapy and a means of earning money for handicapped and hospitalized veterans and their families. Members work with legislators and congressmen and women to pass legislation to increase government benefits and assistance for veterans. Essential equipment and supplies are purchased by caring members to upgrade and facilitate the level of care provided in veteran's facilities. Members furnish job assistance, transportation, food, clothing, and medicine to thousands of needy, handicapped, and homeless veterans. The Auxiliary plays a necessary and important role in the life of American's Veterans.

Past Department President Susan Barnett