



## DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI AUXILIARY OUTREACH January/February 2025

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If you're like me, you can't believe that the new year is already upon us. I'm not sure where 2024 went to, but I certainly hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season.

The Auxiliary Outreach program is all about REACHING OUT to the groups, churches, schools and other organizations in your community to see what YOU (both as an Auxiliary and as an individual) can do to MAKE A DIFFERENCE by volunteering your time to help them.

Are there groups in your area that will be holding chili & soup cookoffs to benefit their organizations? Maybe you could volunteer your time at their function to judge or help register entrants. Are there Valentine's Day events at a local museum or within your community that you can help with?

Remember to keep these things in mind when participating in and reporting your Auxiliary Outreach project:

- The project must be voted on by the membership. If this is a recurring volunteer project, put it in your standing rules.
- Wear your Auxiliary shirts, pins, hats or anything else that will identify who you are.
- Report your projects as soon as possible following the event and include the number of members who participated and the total number of hours involved. Reporting right after the event will ensure that nothing is forgotten. **You DO NOT report any monetary values in Auxiliary Outreach. This is a VOLUNTEER program.**
- If you have a recurring project that is multiple times a month, you may accumulate those hours and report them one time at the end of the month. In your description, please include the dates that your Auxiliary or member participated in.

- Be creative and descriptive when reporting the project. Did something fun and unexpected happen? Report it so you will catch my eye!

**Together we can make ourselves an asset to our community!**

REPORT, REPORT, REPORT **ALL** your volunteer efforts  
at [www.vfwauxmo.org](http://www.vfwauxmo.org)

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY!!!**