

Buddy Poppy Program  
May / June Report  
Department of Missouri VFW Auxiliary  
Carrying Our Torches for Veterans



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## May and June — Our Most Important Season of Remembrance

As we enter the months of May and June, we step into one of the most meaningful and visible seasons of the Buddy Poppy Program. These months center around Memorial Day, a sacred time when we pause to honor the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation.

Across the Department of Missouri, Auxiliaries will be preparing for Buddy Poppy distributions, participating in Memorial Day ceremonies, and sharing the message of remembrance within their communities.

## Memorial Day — Honoring Those Who Gave All

Memorial Day stands as one of the most sacred days of remembrance in our nation. It reminds us that freedom was not given freely — it was earned through sacrifice.

Auxiliaries throughout Missouri are encouraged to actively participate in Memorial Day ceremonies and remembrance activities.

## Buddy Poppy Distribution — Sharing the Message

May and early June are the most active months for Buddy Poppy distribution.

Never refuse a Buddy Poppy to someone who cannot donate.

The Buddy Poppy is freely given as a symbol of remembrance.

## Reporting Reminder — Department of Missouri website

Please remember to report all Buddy Poppy activities and Memorial Day events on [vfwauxmo.org](http://vfwauxmo.org).

Every report submitted helps demonstrate the dedication and service of Auxiliaries throughout the Department of Missouri.

## Closing Thoughts

May and June remind us of the true meaning of remembrance. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns, looking forward to all the great things you all do this year, **Carrying Our Torches for Veterans and Serving America's Heros.**