

NOVEMBER Youth Activities

★ VFW AUXILIARY ★

"SMALL ACTS OF KINDNESS LASTING IMPACT ♥"

NOVEMBER FOCUS *Gratitude in Action* ♡

November is a time to reflect on gratitude and the importance of giving back. Encourage youth to show appreciation for veterans, military families, and community members through simple acts of kindness and service. Together, we can help the next generation understand the impact of service and the value of a grateful heart.



WAYS TO GET YOUTH INVOLVED

HONOR A VETERAN

Create thank-you cards, write letters, or attend a Veterans Day program to show appreciation for their service.

GIVE BACK

Organize a food drive, collect winter clothing, or help a neighbor in need. Small acts of service make a big difference!

SPREAD KINDNESS

Make gratitude cards for veterans, first responders, community helpers, or someone who has made a positive impact.

CONNECT GENERATIONS

Invite youth to interview a veteran and learn about their experiences. Their stories help keep history alive and show the value of service.

NATIONAL CONTESTS

Youth Ambassador Debbie Little promotes creativity, patriotism, and the voices of our youth through these VFW Auxiliary national contests!

ILLUSTRATING AMERICA

Grades K–8

Three divisions: K–2, 3–5 and 6–8. Encourage schools, art teachers, youth groups and homeschool families to participate.

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 15, 2026

YOUNG AMERICAN CREATIVE PATRIOTIC ART CONTEST

Grades 9–12

Students create original 2-D patriotic artwork using any media.

DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2027

3-DIMENSIONAL PATRIOTIC ART

Grades 9–12

Patriotic sculpture, pottery, fabric, metalwork and other 3-D art.

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VFW AUXILIARY LENDING LIBRARY

Find your local lending library to borrow books that teach children about patriotism, service, kindness, and the importance of gratitude. These resources are a great way to support youth activities and spark meaningful conversations at home, in schools, and in your community.



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