



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

GENERAL ORDERS #6

1 December 2023
2023-2024 Series

TO BE READ AT MEETINGS AND POSTED

1. Attention of Post Commanders is directed to Section 218 of the Manual of Procedure, "Duty of Trustees." Trustees Report of Audit must be completed in detail at the close of each quarter, one of which ends 31 December 2023. Commanders are reminded that accurate and complete records shall be kept by all persons handling Post funds, including Club Manager, Bingo Chairman and VFW Riders Groups. These records shall be audited by the Post Trustees in the same manner as Post Quartermaster and Adjutant records.

2. Members are reminded that their annual membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars is subscription based and expires on their anniversary date. All Officers are encouraged to make every effort to renew the membership of every continuous member prior to their expiration. Reports showing continuous member prior to their expiration can be obtained by the Post Quartermaster through the Online Membership System (OMS).

3. Public Law 103-308 designates 7 December as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day and requests the flag be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sunset to honor those individuals who lost their lives that day.

4. The distribution of VFW Buddy Poppies will be conducted according to the provisions set forth in Section 711 of the National By-Laws and Manual of Procedure. Department, District, County Council and Post Commanders should arrange now for the distribution of Buddy Poppies in accordance with Sections 219 and 704 of the Manual of Procedure.

5. A thorough program of Post inspection is necessary to ensure compliance with National and Department By-Laws and directives. District and Department Inspectors to include Assistant Inspectors shall make every effort to inspect every Post under their cognizance on an annual basis and correct such discrepancies as may be disclosed.

6. The VFW National By-Laws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual establish that Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall be the parliamentary authority on procedural matters not governed by the VFW By-Laws and Manual of Procedure. The newly revised Robert's Rules of Order is readily available at local bookstores and online retailers such as Barnes & Noble and Amazon.

7. Cocktails with the Commander will be every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm next zoom meeting will be 20 December 2023.

8. State Headquarters will be closed on 25 December 2023 to observe Christmas.

9. State Headquarters will be closed on 1 January 2024 to observe New Years.

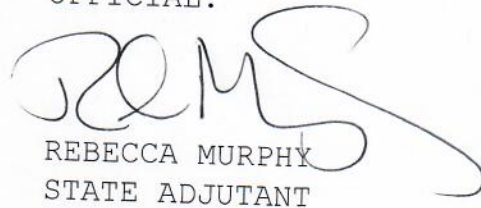
10. Several important documents are attached to these orders. Please review all.

BY ORDER OF:



SHEILA CORCORAN
STATE COMMANDER

OFFICIAL:



REBECCA MURPHY
STATE ADJUTANT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1 December 2023

1. Reminder to all Districts - Patriots Pen, Voice of Democracy, and Teacher of the Year Deadline to the State Chairman is 15 December 2023.

Patriots Pen Chairman: Byran Lineberry
1542 Centerbrook Dr.
New Haven, IN 46774
byran3081@aol.com

Voice of Democracy Chairman: Keith Rohloff
100 Brinegar Dr.
Springville, IN 47462
keith.rohloff@outlook.com

Teacher of the Year Chairman: Bill Clark
237 E County Line Rd
Greenwood, IN 46143
clarknavyvet@sbcglobal.net

2. Indiana Military Veteran's Legislative Day at the State House will be on 16 January 2024, in the south atrium, second floor of the Indiana State Capital located at 200 S. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, IN. The overall event is intended to open communication channels between Indiana Reserve Components, active-duty military members and military veterans and families with their Indiana State Senators and Representatives regarding military and veteran specific legislation moving through the Indiana General Assembly during the 2024 legislative session. More information will follow via email to District Commanders to pass down to all levels. Also watch for information on the state website "VFWIN.ORG" under "Special Events."

3. December 5th Somalia Campaign Began (1992).

4. December 7th National Pearl Harbor Day, Flag at Half Staff.

5. December 8th War Declared on Japan (1941).

6. December 11th Germany and Italy declared War on the U.S. (1941).

7. December 15th Iraq War Ended (2011).
8. December 20th Panama Campaign Began (1989)
9. December 20th U.S. Space Force Established (2019).
10. December 25th Merry Christmas.
11. December 31st Official End of WWII (1946).
12. December 31st Kosovo Campaign Ended (2013).
13. January 1st Happy New Year.



JOYOUS CHRISTMAS AND THE HAPPIEST NEW YEAR!

Sheila Corcoran - State Commander

Cory Mahan - Senior Vice Commander

Roger Ferguson - Junior Vice Commander

Dan Claxton - State Quartermaster

Rebecca Murphy - State Adjutant

Dave Hammons - State Surgeon

Shawn Ransford - Department Service Officer

Mark Carr - Assistant Department Service Officer

Shannon Carr - Service Officer

Dane Mahern - Claims Consultant





1 December 2023

Greeting Comrades,

I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving and your travels were safe. Thanksgiving, is a good time to remember our families and reconnect. November as always was a very busy and productive month. It is a great time as our communities, family and friends say thank you to their veterans. Many of us attended parades, dinners, speeches and numerous other activities.

I had the pleasure of being the State Rep for two district meetings. I want to thank everyone for the hospitality I receive. During the report of Posts, it was great to hear all the good we are doing in the community. Several Posts were going to be open on Thanksgiving and offering free food. Thank you for taking care of your Veterans, family and community. Be sure to report your Community Service. Contact State Adjutant Rebecca Murphy for questions.

Every month the National VFW Commander publishes a Membership Challenge to encourage us to work membership. Our state met the November membership challenge. The state is receiving \$500 to be used as we want. This money will be split between the posts that met the challenge. This is a small way to give back, because you did the work!

National and State membership goal is 102%. Currently Indiana is at 85.80%. To make 102% we need to recruit just 19 new/reinstate members daily. I know this sounds difficult, but Indiana currently has over 21,000 members. If each of us recruits just 1 member today we are done! Thank you to everyone who is recruiting.

Congratulations to the following Posts for achieving this goal.

District	Post	City	Percentage
11	5626	Beech Grove	104.10%
11	908	Indianapolis	103.25%
11	1587	Indianapolis	102.16%

In November, I started a new monthly meeting named "Cocktails with the Commander". This is to get all of us to get more comfortable and familiar with "Zoom" meetings. Well, the 1st meeting was not without issues. Due to technical issues, we were not able to sign in and have the meeting. We will do this again in December. The meeting is not mandatory, we will keep it to one hour. This is your opportunity to ask questions, provide feedback and have a conversation. Thank you everyone that tried to attend the call in November.

VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

I want to thank all the Posts, District and individuals who have donated towards my special project, Suicide Awareness/Prevention. Mission 22 and CAV Art (Creative Art for Veterans) do great things. The holidays are a

hard time for many. Please be sure to check on your friends/family and post members during this holiday season. A simple phone call or text makes all the difference, it reminds people they aren't alone and forgotten.

Thank you for all you do. If I can be of assistance, reach out to me. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Sheila Corcoran,
Commander
Dept of Indiana VFW
317-413-8142
scorcoran.vfw@gmail.com

DECEMBER 2023 MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Comrades,

The State is at 85.80% Membership as of Nov 30th.

Congratulations goes out to District 11 for having the highest membership percentage as of Nov 30th, at 91.30%.

A Huge shout out for the following Posts achieving 102+ % in membership by Nov 30th: 5626 Beech Grove (104.10%), 908 Indianapolis (103.25%), and 1587 Indianapolis (102.16%). Also 9987 Griffith is at 100%. Great job to each of these Posts!

Note - Numbers will change by the time of publication.

Russell "Gabby" Pryor and Judy King each received \$150 for recruiting 25 new/reinstated members, and Russell Pryor received an additional \$250 for recruiting 50+ members. Rebecca Murphy will receive a Commanders Certificate and Coin, along with \$75 for recruiting 15 members. James "Rob" Loy will receive a Commanders Certificate for recruiting 13 members.

Remember to read both the National and State Membership programs to see what is required, and how you and your members can contribute and earn recognition. 102% Membership across the board is not an illusion or something pulled out of thin air. ***It's coming directly from the National Commander in Chief.***

-Recruiting by far is the toughest job in the entire VFW.

-It's the only way we can refill the ranks for future generations.

-Every Post and District needs to be recruiting at all times.

-Post and District leadership should be checking numbers weekly if not daily in MEMSTATS.

Train and utilize the whole team. Remember that Membership is a total team effort!

Reach out to the Membership Team if you need assistance recruiting and for events.

In Comradeship,

Ken Lange
Membership Chairman
Department of Indiana
2022-2024

Membership Objectives 2023-24

- Achieve **102%** in Membership. (*Post, District, and Department*)
- For everyone to **recruit at least one new member** and then mentor that member.
- Increase** membership drives and/or events.
- Develop new Posts and/or **revitalize existing Posts**.
- Increase Life Membership and Legacy Life Memberships**.

INCENTIVES

Early Dues Payment Incentives

(All Data Must be Confirmed in VFW National Memstats)

Continuous Member-Any Continuous member, new member or newly reinstated member who pays their dues by Dec 30, 2023, will have their name placed into a drawing for \$100. Unless their name is drawn, the names will remain eligible for the next drawing.

District Incentive-Any District that has every post recruit at least one new member by December 1, 2023, will receive \$1,000 to their district funds. If achieved after December 1, 2023, and before May 1, 2024, the District will receive \$750 to their district funds.

Legacy Life-Any member who becomes a Legacy Life member or advances a level (Bronze to Silver or Silver to Gold) will be placed in a drawing. If paying on installment plan, the plan must be completely paid to be eligible. If a Legacy Life member advance multiple levels they will have an entry for each level they advance. The drawing will be held at the 2024 State Convention.

- 1st name drawn - \$200
- 2nd name drawn- \$250

Life Member-Any member who joins as a Life member, converts to a Life member or a reinstate member who converts to Life member will be placed in a drawing. If paying of an installment plan the plan must be completely paid to be eligible. The drawing will be held at the 2024 State Convention.

- 1st name drawn - \$100
- 2nd name drawn- \$150

RECRUITER INCENTIVES

All members in good standing are eligible for Department Recruiter Awards. Recruited members must be ***Department of Indiana members***. Award deadline is June 1, 2024. Recruiters will receive their awards and be recognized at the State Convention.

- 10-New or reinstated members will receive a Commander's-Gift & certificate.
- 15-New or reinstated members will receive a Commanders Coin and \$75.00.
- 25-New or reinstated members will receive a Commander's-Gift and \$150.00.
- 50-New or reinstated members will receive \$250.00.
- 75-New or reinstated members will receive a \$350.00 stipend to the National Convention.
- 100-New or reinstated members will receive a \$500.00 stipend to the National Convention.

These awards are cumulative and will be presented at the very next Department meeting after the level is met. In summary, if you recruit 100 new or reinstated members for the Department of Indiana you will receive all the awards listed above, a cash total of \$1325.00. If you receive another stipend to the National convention, you will receive the recruiter award for \$75 and \$100 in CASH, but you must attend the National Convention to receive the cash award.

POST INCENTIVES

Highest Percentage in Membership

The Post having the highest percentage in membership on December 29, 2023, will receive \$150.00, two banquet tickets for the Spring Banquet and will be recognized at the Spring Conference.

The Post having the highest percentage in membership on January 31, 2023, will receive \$100.00, two banquet tickets for the Spring Banquet and will be recognized at the Spring Conference.

DISTRICT INCENTIVES

Highest Percentage in Membership

Any District with at least 90% +1 by December 29, 2023, will receive \$200.00, four banquet tickets for the Spring Banquet and will be recognized at the Spring Conference.

DISTRICT COMMANDER AWARDS

Each District Commander who attains 100% in membership on December 20, 2023, held a school of Instruction by October 1, 2023, and had a new and reinstate in each post will receive \$150.00.

The District Commander who attains 102% in membership on June 1, 2024, leads the State in Membership, had a School of Instruction by October 1, 2023, and had a new or reinstate in each post in their District will receive a \$200.00 award.

For a District Commander to be a Round Robin Commander, all posts must be 102% in membership by May 31, 2024. They will be recognized at the State Convention. If a District Commander becomes Round Robin after May 31st, 2024, they will be recognized at School of Instruction.



COMMANDER'S CHALLENGE

December brings us halfway through the membership year, and we want to see our membership continue to grow! This month, Commander-in-Chief Duane Sarmiento is issuing a challenge to our Posts to increase their membership percentage in December!



Throughout the month of December, we're going to track our Posts' membership percentages. This means new members, reinstated members, renewals, dues-paying transfers - we want to see more active paid members in the Post!

As a reminder, to figure your membership percentage you take your total current paid members, and divide it by your prior year total. Or you can just go check out Memstats and we do the math for you!

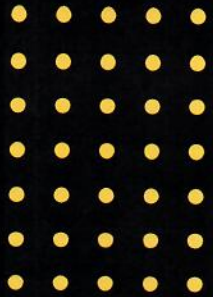
This challenge will compare the Post's membership percentage as of December 1st and compare it to where your membership percentage is at close of business on December 31st. The Post in each membership division that shows the greatest increase will receive a \$500 award plus a custom Commander-in-Chief Jacket!

We have eleven membership divisions, so that means there will only be eleven of these jackets ever made! If you want everyone to know that your Post has met the challenge for membership excellence, now is your chance!

This is a season of giving, and now is the time to give your best when it comes to strengthening our membership. We want you all to continue to build this organization, engage with our members, and to always go out there and

MEET THE CHALLENGE!

This contest will compare the Post's membership percentage from December 1 to December 31st. Applications and payments processed online before close of business will be credited that day, payments and applications made through the mail will be processed when received. Questions about this or other membership programs can be sent to membership@vfw.org.



COCKTAILS WITH THE **COMMANDER**

Open Conversation
Ask Your Question
Find Out the Latest

Every Third
Wednesday
7:00 pm EST



**See Monthly
GENERAL ORDERS
for Zoom Invite Details**

1932 BUDDY POPPY GIRL RETURNS TO NATIONAL HOME



Betty Adamson at 2023 Indiana Day

Betty Christian Adamson still sported her bob, much like the cropped hair in the photo where she handed President Herbert Hoover the first poppy of the year in 1932. Now it's silver, but the spring in her step remains.

Ninety-five-year-old Adamson visited the VFW National Home on September 23 to take part in Indiana Day alongside VFW and Auxiliaries from her home state.

Adamson was one of the first group of children who came to live in the Home not long after it was established in 1925. In 1929 Adamson's father, a World War I veteran, passed away, and she and her two siblings were placed in the VFW National Home by her mother, who was unable to care for them. The siblings would live there for the next 12 years.

1932 Buddy Poppy Child Betty Adamson



"I liked living at the Home. There were lots of other children to play with, and the Home did everything for us," she recalled.

She recounted playing often on the playground, helping her house mother with chores, going to the Methodist Church on Sunday, and enjoying the abundant Cootie Christmases.

"I had two different housemothers during my time there, and they both were wonderful, affectionate, and good cooks," she added with a smile.

Adamson was only four years old when she was selected as the 1932 Buddy Poppy Girl. Her memories are scant about the trip to Washington, D.C., to entertain an audience with the President of the United States.



1932 Buddy Poppy Child Betty Adamson with 2023 Buddy Poppy Child Layla

"I remember more about the long train ride there," she chuckles. "Mr. Adams, the National Home Director at the time, was trying to keep me occupied by teasing that there was a bear out of the window of the train."

Adamson and her siblings left the Home when she was 14 returning

to their mother, who had remarried. The former Buddy Poppy Girl enjoyed a happy childhood at the VFW National Home and, as a result, went on to live a full and stable life, married for over 50 years until the death of her husband and raising four children who had 15 children of their own, and 30 great-grandchildren.

"I am so thankful to the VFW National Home," expressed Adamson.

Visit the VFW National Childrens Home website for all the exciting happenings and learn how you can make a difference. www.vfwnationalhome.org

Thanks to your help we presented \$28,797.98 in donations on Indiana Day. Keep up the good work. Don't forget to report it also.

Hope to see you at next year's Indiana Day

at the VFW National Home in September 2024

Happy and safe Holidays to all,

Diane Pettit

State VFW National Home Chairman



INDIANA

★ 10TH ANNUAL ★

JANUARY 16, 2024

INDIANA STATEHOUSE

200 W. WASHINGTON ST. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE FROM
★ AMERICAN LEGION POST 64

**10 YEAR
LOOK-BACK
PROGRAM
10:30AM**

**COFFEE, DONUTS &
LUNCH PROVIDED
9AM-1PM**

**MEET YOUR
LEGISLATORS
★
OVER 50
EXHIBITORS**

Sponsored by Representative John Bartlett &
Todd Huston, Speaker of the House

VeteransLegislativeDay.com





VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA
ORIGINAL BUDDY POPPY ORDER FORM

DATE: _____ POST: _____ DISTRICT: _____

SHIP TO: (NAME): _____

MEMBERSHIP #: _____

ADDRESS: _____
(POPPIES CAN NOT BE SHIPPED TO A P.O. BOX)

<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
_____ Poppies at \$125.00 per 500	_____
Shipping and Handling	<u>\$15.95</u>
_____ Poppies at \$250.00 per 1000	_____
Shipping and Handling	<u>\$29.95</u>

We remit with this order \$ _____, for full payment of Buddy Poppies, which must be paid at the time of orders.

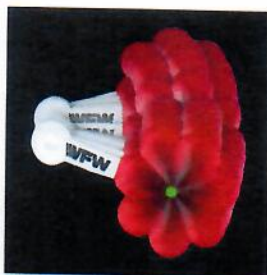
Signed by Post Commander or QM

Send all orders and payment to: VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA
9555 E. 59TH ST. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46216 ATTN: STATE ADJUTANT

Orders being processed by card can be faxed to (317)377-1797 or emailed to
adj@vfw.in.org

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Name on Card: _____ Phone Number: _____
Billing Address: _____
Sub Total: \$ _____ Card Number: _____
Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____
Signature: _____



VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA
TIN BUDDY POPPY ORDER FORM

DATE: _____ POST: _____ DISTRICT: _____

SHIP TO: (NAME): _____

MEMBERSHIP #: _____

ADDRESS: _____

(POPPIES CAN NOT BE SHIPPED TO A P.O. BOX)

<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
_____ Poppies at \$60.00 per 500	_____
Shipping and Handling	<u>\$10.95</u>
_____ Poppies at \$120.00 per 1000	_____
Shipping and Handling	<u>\$15.95</u>

We remit with this order \$_____, for full payment of Buddy Poppies, which must be paid at the time of orders.

Signed by Post Commander or QM

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9555 E. 59TH ST. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46216 ATTN: STATE ADJUTANT

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adj@vfwin.org

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Name on Card: _____ Phone Number: _____

Billing Address: _____

Sub Total: \$ _____ Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Signature: _____



Military Family Relief Fund

OPERATION HOLIDAY PROGRAM

The MFRF Operation Holiday Program is designed to assist veterans and their families who are experiencing financial hardship. This special program can assist with essential holiday expenses for dependent children that reside in the veteran's home and a holiday meal for qualified veterans. The assistance amount would be \$300.00 for each dependent child residing in the veteran's home and \$200.00 for the holiday meal.

This program will begin on November 1, 2023 and end on December 29, 2023. Any applications received or any that are incomplete after 4PM EST on December 29, 2023 will be denied.

The veteran must have an honorable, under honorable conditions, or certain other than honorable discharges.

The gross household income cannot exceed 2 times the US federal poverty guidelines.

An eligible dependent child shall be under 18 years of age or up to 23 years of age and enrolled in high school or a high school equivalency program or enrolled in a full-time course of study in an institution of higher education but must provide proof that they maintain the veteran's home as their residency.

Please note, the maximum lifetime amount that an applicant may receive from the fund is two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00), unless a higher amount is approved by the commission.

Required Documents Checklist:

- Application: General Information Form, Grant Request, W9, and Direct Deposit Form (must have handwritten signatures)
- Proof that dependent children reside with veteran. See list of accepted dependency & residency documents on grant request form
- DD214 that shows the type of discharge
- First page of the most current bank, investment, and retirement statements for all accounts you own, showing account balance and available assets
- Evidence of income for applicant and spouse (2 weeks of most current pay stubs, VA compensation, Social Security, retirement, unemployment, etc.)
- An email address is mandatory – all communication between MFRF and applicant will be by email

See website (In.gov/DVA) for FAQ, definitions, and explanation of program qualifications.

Send completed applications to:

Mail to: Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs
Attn: Military Family Relief Fund
777 North Meridian Street, Suite 300
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Fax to: 317-232-7721

Email to: MFRF@dva.IN.gov



MILITARY FAMILY RELIEF FUND (MFRF) APPLICATION

State Form 53880 (R3 / 5-21)

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Indiana Veterans' Center
777 North Meridian Street, Suite 300
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
Telephone: (317) 232-3910
Toll-Free: (800) 400-4520
Fax: (317) 232-7721
E-mail: MFRF@dva.in.gov
Website: www.in.gov/dva

* This agency is requesting disclosure of your Social Security Number in accordance with IC 4-1-8-1; disclosure is voluntary and you will not be penalized for refusal.

MILITARY MEMBER'S INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy): _____

Home Address (number and street): _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Mobile Telephone: _____

Social Security Number*: _____ Disability Percentage: _____

Number of Dependents: _____ Marital Status: _____

Dates of Service (mm/yy): _____ to _____ Discharge: _____

Employment Status: _____ Monthly Income: _____

E-mail: _____

Branch of Service: ☐ Army ☐ Navy ☐ Marines ☐ Air Force ☐ Coast Guard ☐ Space Force
Please check branch of service.

DEPENDENTS INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy): _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy): _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy): _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy): _____

SPOUSE'S INFORMATION

Spouse: _____ Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy): _____

Mailing Address (number and street): _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____ Social Security Number*: _____

Employment Status: _____ Monthly Income: _____

E-mail Address: _____

I / We (check one) ☐ Have ☐ Have Not applied for a MFRF grant before.

Date of Last Application (mm/dd/yy)

GRANT REQUEST

I (printed name) _____ am requesting a grant from the MFRF Operation Holiday Program.

There are ____ dependent children residing in my household @ \$300.00 each \$ _____
Holiday Meal (\$200.00) \$ 200.00
Total Requested \$ _____

- Dependency proof for each child must include the following:
 - Birth certificate, veteran's marriage license, and/or legal guardianship documents
- Proof of residency for each dependent child could include, but is not limited to:
 - School correspondence (report card, emails, school notices, etc.) indicating that each child resides at the same address as the veteran
 - Doctor's bills, pharmacy bills, immunization records, or any other official letters or notices indicating that each child resides at the same address as the veteran
 - Social service records or statements indicating that each child resides at the same address as the veteran
 - Insurance records indicating that each child resides at the same address as the veteran
 - State issued ID for each child indicating that the child resides at the same address as the veteran

An applicant has the right to appeal any decision to the Indiana Veterans' Affairs Commission.

I certify that all information contained in this application to be true and correct. I authorize the verification/release of the information I am providing on this application. I authorize the State of Indiana access to my pertinent records, including information maintained in Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS), as necessary to evaluate my application. Disclosure of information on this form including Social Security Numbers is voluntary, however, failure to provide requested information may prohibit the processing of this grant application. In accordance with applicable laws, the State of Indiana will maintain confidentiality regarding the application and any grant approved or denied, except as required to process this or subsequent applications, or as otherwise required by law.

I understand that:

1. my application will be denied if it is received after 4PM EST on December 29, 2023
2. my application will be denied if there is any missing information not submitted by 4PM EST on December 29, 2023
3. all communication between the MFRF and veteran will be by email – **please monitor your email**

I also understand that if funds are granted, funds will be deposited by the State of Indiana electronically directly into the bank account listed on the direct deposit form.

Applicant Signature

Date

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

► Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.

☐ Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC ☐ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ► _____

Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.

☐ Other (see instructions) ► _____

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):

Exempt payee code (if any) _____

Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____

(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.

Requester's name and address (optional)

6 City, state, and ZIP code

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number

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or

Employer identification number

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign
Here

Signature of
U.S. person ►

Date ►

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
 - Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
 - Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
 - Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
 - Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
 - Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
 - Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
 - Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)
- Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding*, later.



**AUTOMATED DIRECT DEPOSIT
AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT**

State Form 47551 (R7 / 5-18)
Approved by State Board of Accounts, 2018
Prescribed by Auditor of State, 2018

* This agency is requesting disclosure of your Federal Identification Number / Social Security Number in accordance with IC 4-1-8-1. Disclosure is mandatory, and this record cannot be processed without it.

In accordance with IC 4-13-2-14.8, a person who has a contract with the State of Indiana or submits invoices to the State of Indiana for payment shall authorize the direct deposit by electronic funds transfer of all payments by the state to the person.

This form must be completed in order to receive payment from the State of Indiana and any time there is a change in banking information. This form must be accompanied by a W9. If you are changing an e-mail address to receive electronic notifications of EFT deposits, please contact vendors@auditor.in.gov.

☐ New Enrollment

☐ Change of Existing Account

Prior Routing Number: _____

Prior Account Number: _____

SECTION 1:

AUTHORIZATION

According to Indiana law, your signature below authorizes the transfer of electronic funds under the following terms:

Name of Company or Individual (as shown on the account) _____

Federal Identification Number / Social Security Number * _____

Address (Number and Street and/or PO Box Number) _____

City, State, and ZIP Code (00000-0000) _____

SECTION 2:

DIRECT DEPOSIT INFORMATION

Type of Account:

☐ Checking (Demand)

☐ Savings

☐ Please check this box if your direct deposit will be automatically forwarded to a bank account in another country.

Financial Institution: _____

Routing Number (9 digits): _____

Account Number (maximum 17 digits - include leading zeros): _____

SECTION 3: E-MAIL ADDRESS TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC NOTIFICATION OF ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER (EFT) DEPOSITS *Required

(Please contact vendors@auditor.in.gov to add more than four addresses.)

All future notices of EFT deposits to the bank account specified above will be sent to the following e-mail addresses:

☐ By checking this box, I authorize the information provided on this form to be accurate and I agree with the provisions on the reverse side of this form. I also authorize the State of Indiana to initiate credit entries and to initiate, if necessary, debit entries and adjustments for any credit entries in error to my account indicated above. This authorization will remain in effect until the state has received written notification of its termination and has adequate time to act upon the request.

NAME (type) _____ TITLE _____ TELEPHONE _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE _____

DATE (month, day, year) _____

* Under IC 26-2-8-106, your electronic signature on this form represents the same legal authority as your written signature.



Veterans IN Farming 2024 Workshop

The Veterans IN Farming team is excited to announce our workshop in Jan. 2024 for veterans that want to learn about homesteading or farming. We have topics available for both our beginning and advanced farmers. We are excited to bring you a weekend full of fun and learning. Join us Jan. 19-21 2024 at Fair Oaks Farm in Fair Oaks Indiana for this opportunity.

Highlighted Topic Items:

Learn about Free opportunities for training in Agriculture for Veterans

For our Beginning Farmers:

- Business planning
- Q&A Panel from experienced farmers

For our Advanced Farmers:

- Discussion on Mushrooms, Orchards, Beekeeping, and other homesteading ideas
- Managing Farm Stress
- Grant Writing

Hotel Rates:

Guaranteed through December 20th

<https://fofarms.com/lodging/>

- Standard \$119
- Studio Suite \$129

hot breakfast buffet

- Reservations made directly with hotel
 - 219-394-2025

*Winter events such as sledding may also be available

Cost:

- \$100 per person
 - Includes lunch dinner snacks on Jan. 20
 - Kids are free
- Workshop ticket stipends are available through Indiana Ag Vets
 - <https://indianaagvets.info>
 - LTARR@hoosieruplands.org

Schedule:

- Jan. 19th Evening Social
- Jan. 20th Classes
 - Lunch, dinner, and snacks provided
- Jan. 21st Farm Tours
 - Additional \$20 per person

Over \$500 in door prizes will be given out

Sign up at:

vetsinfarming.wildapricot.org



Like us at our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/VetsINFarming>

Veterans IN Farming is a 501C3 organization supporting Veterans in agriculture that are social disadvantaged and underserved in our community

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	HAVE	OWED	HAVE	ORDERED	DUE	Due	REPT RECEIVED
		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 1	JS		X	NA			X
717	JS		X	X			X
802	J		X				X
1109	JS		X	X			X
2151	J	\$9.00		X			X
2697	JS		X	X			X
2724	JS		X	X			X
5365							X
6448	J		X	X			X
6841	JS	\$18.00	X				X
7881	JS	\$9.00	X	x			X
9323	JS						X
9982				X			X

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	HAVE	OWED	HAVE	ORDERED	DUE	Due	REPT RECEIVED
		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 2				NA			X
748	JS		X	X			X
988	JS		X	X			X
1106							X
1121	JS		X	X			X
1126			X				X
1154	J						X
1279		\$31.00/\$13.00					X
1343	S	\$37.00/\$18.00	X				X
1728	JS		X	X			X
2231	J	\$17.00	X				X
2511	JS						X
3790	JS		X				X
7760	JS		X	X			X
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	HAVE	OWED	HAVE	ORDERED	DUE	Due	REPT RECEIVED
		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-25	
DISTRICT 3	JS		X	NA			X
88	J		X				X
360	JS		X	X			X
985	JS		X				X
1130	JS		X	X			X
1954	JS		X				X
2536	JS		X	X			X
6919	JS		X				X
8972	J		X				X
9423	JS		X	X			X
9820	JS		X	X			X

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	HAVE	OWED	HAVE	ORDERED	DUE	Due	REPT RECEIVED
		21/22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 4	JS		X	NA			X
857	JS		X				X
1421							X
2457	JS		X				X
2749	JS		X				X
3846	J		X	X			X
4717	JS		X				X
5582	JS	\$19.00	X				X
6236	JS		X				X
6751	JS		X				X
7205	JS		X	X			X
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	HAVE	OWED	HAVE	ORDERED	DUE	Due	REPT RECEIVED
		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 5				NA			X
60	J		X	X			X
286				X			X
1110	JS		X				X
1152	J		X	X			X
2067	JS	\$27.00	X				X
2689	JS		X				X
5782	JS	X	X	X			X
7081	JS	X	X	X			X

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	HAVE	OWED	HAVE	ORDERED	DUE	Due	REPT RECEIVED
		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 6	JS		X	NA			X
910	JS		X				X
972	JS		X	X			X
1431			X	X			X
1550							X
1752	J		X				X
2395	JS		X	X			X
3284	JS		X				X
6128	JS		X	X			X
6246	JS		X	X			X
6574	J		X				X
8756	JS		X	X			X
10003	JS		X	X			X

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		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 7	JS		X	NA			X
604	JS		X	X			X
1111	JS		X	X			X
1127	JS		X	X			X
1157	JS		X	X			X
1257	JS		X				X
1405	JS		X	X			X
2459	J		X	X			X
3321	JS		X	X			X
5864	J		X				X
6606	J		X				X
6978	JS		X	X			X
7117	JS		X				X
7118	JS		X				X
7850	JS		X	X			X
8589	JS		X	X			X
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9395	JS		X				X
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		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 8	JS		X	NA			X
673	JS		X	X			X
1114	JS		X	X			X
1427	JS		X	X			X
1693	JS		X				X
1832	JS		X	X			X
2366	S		X				X
2714	JS		X	X			X
2939	JS		X	X			X
2950		\$19.00					X
2953	J		X	X			X
3281	J		X	X			X
3418	JS		X				X
3587	JS		X	X			X
6160	JS		X	X			X
11365	JS		X	X			X

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		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 9							X
1083	JS		X	X			X
1686	JS	\$14.00	X				X
1925	JS		X	X			X
1969	JS		X	X			X
1987	S		X	X			X
2021	JS		X	X			X
3183	JS		X				X
5396			X	X			X
6195	JS		X				X
6234	J		X				X
6582	S		X				X
6636	JS		X				X
8302	JS		X	X			X
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	HAVE	OWED	HAVE	ORDERED	DUE	Due	REPT RECEIVED
		22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 10	JS		X	NA			X
571	JS		X	X			X
1108	JS		X				X
1282	JS		X	X			X
1472	JS		X				X
2014	JS		X				X
2693	JS		X				X
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7084	JS		X	X			X

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		21-22/22-23			23-24	23-24	
DISTRICT 11	JS		X	NA			X
98	JS		X				X
261	JS		X	X			X
908	JS		X	X			X
1120	JS		X	X			X
1587	JS		X	X			X
2839	JS		X				X
2999	JS		X				X
5626	JS		X	X			X
7119	JS		X				X

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Asking for YOUR Support for



SURGEON



VFW DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA 2024-25

ELIGIBILITY:

- ❖ Desert Storm/Persian Gulf (Post), Yemen, Korea, Iraq, Afghanistan
- ❖ Retired U. S. Marine Corps Sergeant Major (Served close to 29 years from 1983-2012)
- ❖ GOLD LEGACY LIFE MEMBER of VFW Post 10003
- ❖ Life Member of the VFW National Home
- ❖ Member, Military Order of the COOTIE (MOC)



VFW CAREER ACHIEVEMENTS/ROLES:

- Recipient of the:
 - DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA "DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER" LEADERSHIP AWARD 2023
- All American Post Commander 2022-2023
- All American Department Membership Chairman 2022-2023
- Post Honor Guard Commander 2020-2023
- Current District 6 Commander
- Current Department Membership Chairman
- Department Sgt-at-Arms 2020-2023
- Department Iraq/Afghanistan Rep and Membership Team Leader (Central) 2021-2022
- Department Disciplinary Hearing Panel Member 2021 & 2023
- Department Finance Committee Member 2022-PRESENT
- VFW Certified National Recruiter 2023-PRESENT
- National Assistant Inspector General for the Department of Indiana 2021-2022
- National Convention, "General Resolutions" Council Member 2022
- National Convention, "National Security & Foreign Affairs" Council Member 2023
- National Aide-De-Camp 2022-2023

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