

## AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPT. OF CA COMMUNITY SERVICE November 2023 Bulletin

Did you know that Veterans Day began as Armistice Day on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War 1. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 making it an annual observance, and Veterans Day became a holiday in 1938. In 1954 President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation changing the name to Veterans Day to honor all who served their country during war or peacetime.

As we remember and honor our Veterans, please don't forget that November is also Military Family month. In 1996 President Bill Clinton first declared November as Military Family month, every year the President of the United States signs a proclamation declaring November National Veteran and Military Family month.

As Community Service Chairman serving the American Legion Auxiliary November has so many opportunities for us to get our District and Unit's involved in:

1.Buy from Veterans, find small businesses owned by veterans and either shop or eat there. 2.Visit a VA Hospital, homeless Veterans shelters, or retirement Home for Veterans. 3.Decorate Graves, go to local cemetery and decorate graves of deceased veterans with flowers and flags. 4.Team up with another organization and make Care Packages and send overseas to active service members. 5.Ask your District and Unit members to march with you in Veterans Day parades.

## November

National Veterans & Military Family Month
Warrior Care Month
National Family Caregivers Month
November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 1-5<sup>th</sup> 2023 – National Veterans Small Business Week
November 10th, 2023 – Marine Corps Day/Birthday
November 11<sup>th</sup> – Veterans Day
November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Armistice/Remembrance Day
November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 – Thanksgiving Day

For God and Country,
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(please remember Mid-year is soon approaching and it's time to prepare supplementals)