



AEF – Auxiliary Emergency Fund
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My name is Mahala Beery, I am the Department Auxiliary Emergency Fund (AEF) Chairman. Congratulations to all the new District and Unit AEF chairmen.

President Glenda Schultz's theme for this year is United as One, California the Golden State. She is the Governor and has named the various programs as Government offices. AEF is the Office of Emergency Services (OES).

AEF is our National Grant Assistance program, that provides temporary emergency assistance to eligible members who have suffered a financial setback because of natural disasters or certain personal crisis. It can only be used by members who are current with their dues and maintained membership for three consecutive years.

The AEF Program is about **members helping members**. Let's make sure we are emergency ready. I urge each AEF chairman to review the AEF brochure and the applications for assistance. Check the National website for new information, I will send any updates as they come.

Your packets you receive at the Clovis workshop will have FAQ's, applications, and a brochure (each unit can order brochures from the Department of California order form)

We fund this assistance through donations which can be made directly to National. There is a beautiful new pin available to members who donate \$100.00 or more.

I hope your units will hold fundraisers to help the AEF continue to help the many members who may need assistance. 253,053 people were displaced in California because of natural disaster in 2022. I am sure some of them are our members. Let's make sure they know about our AEF program.

The Office of Emergency Services (OES) is open and ready for business. We are here to help!

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