

National Security Bulletin 6 December 2024

Happy Holidays to all of my Strategic Planners. I hope everyone is doing well. This is Bulletin 6. December has arrived and we are getting ready to say goodbye to 2024 and welcome 2025. December tends to be a busy month for all.

For most of us, it will be a happy time of celebrating with our friends and family. Not everyone will be enjoying this time of year. There are many Veterans who may feel depressed or alone. We must check in with our members if we have not heard from them.

Please share the Veteran's Crisis Line information. The Veterans Crisis Line provide 24/7 confidential crisis support for all veterans and their loved ones. Dial 988 and then press 1.

• 24/7 Support- Access free, confidential support 24/7, 365 days a year. • Live Connection- Connect with a real person qualified to support Veterans. • Serves Veterans, Their Families, and Friends- The Veterans Crisis Line serves Veterans, service members, National Guard, and Reserve members and those who support them. More info can be found: https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/

As members, please keep on the lookout for any service member that you feel is deserving of this recognition. And the SUBMIT him/her for the Salute to Servicemember Award. Information can be found at: https://www.legion-aux.org/Salute-to-Servicewomen-Award with the nomination form at: https://member.legion-aux.org/Salute-to-Servicemembers. And even better news - you don't have to wait all year to make a nomination. The form is active NOW! Submit anytime from NOW until the deadline of June 1, 2025!

DEC is just a little over a month away. This will be an exciting, busy, and fun-filled weekend. National Security and Children and Youth Chairman have teamed up to have one of the best canned food drives benefiting our Military Children. Start collecting your canned foods and bring them with you to DEC. We will have bags available for you, fill the bags and take back with you whatever you can fit in your vehicle and donate to your local Military or Veteran food bank.

Just a friendly reminder, District reports are due to Department by 12/15/24. Thank you for all you do for your Units and Districts. Wishing everyone a Joyous Holiday season.

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