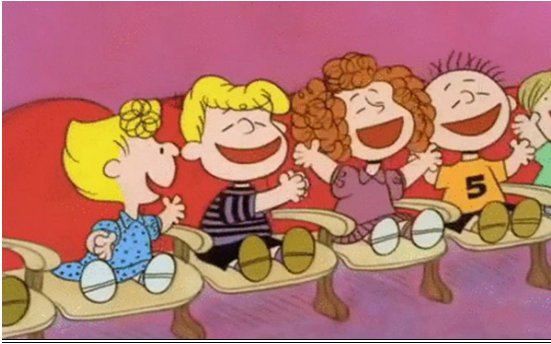


Happy Wednesday All!!!

Shouting to the hills once again...congratulations to all 34 Departments who achieved 85% goal....YAYYYY!!!



So, the 100% Unit Award, done ✓, the 85% Department Award, done ✓✓, you're thinking and asking yourselves...now what?

Just around the corner is the next goal, the 95% Department Award Deadline – May 23, 2025.

But Wait, in the interim - take a beat, pause, take a breath, step back and reflect on the 'good work'. Take a chill moment to regroup, refocus, reenergize, remember your 'why'; take time for 'self' and 'others' to recover. I'm not saying to stop working the mission or the membership program...only saying to recognize awareness of self and others.

I read a quote once "What we do TODAY...RIGHT NOW...will have an accumulated effect on all our TOMORROWS." by Alexandra Stoddard.

This week in numbers, we are slowly closing the gap in the overall picture...in comparison to last year sitting at 398. What is that jingle, Step by step, slowly I turn, inch by inch...(or was that in the Three Stooges, ok I digress)...we are closing the gap, although overall percentage looks really good at **88.72%**...let's predict 90% very soon, one step at a time, we got this!!!

Departments who have achieved 95% Goal - Congratulations!!!

Department of Arizona 96.10%

Department of Florida 98.24%

Department of Hawaii 110.43%

The challenge is on in the Division race....

🔥 Western Division - 89.92% up from 88.88%

Division Chair Maureen O'Brien Sacco

🌍 Southern Division - 89.76% up from 88.66%

Division Chair Teresa Simmons Copeland

💧 Eastern Division - 89.59% up from 88.63%

Division Chair Karyl Horn

👤 Central Division - 88.19% up from 87.13%

Division Chair April Kollmorgen

 **Northwestern Division - 85.63%** up from 84.53%

Division Chair Lisa Moore

Have a question, [do you know where to go for answers?](#) [Do you know how to reach your Division chairs?](#)
Let us know what you need...we are here for you.

Have a blessed rest of the week, be safe!!!

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