



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN**

2018-2019 AUXILIARY EMERGENCY FUND PROGRAM ACTION PLAN

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This year, Kindle the Flame, and help support the fund that has helped so many auxiliary members in the last 50 years of its existence. Let's work together to keep the fund going for another 50 years!

What It Is:

The Auxiliary Emergency Fund offers temporary assistance to eligible members during:

1. A time of financial crisis when no other source of aid is readily available to pay for shelter, food and utilities.
2. Weather related emergencies and natural disasters for food and shelter.
3. Educational training for members who lack the necessary skills for employment or to upgrade competitive workforce skills.

Note: Assistance will not be available for accumulated debt or medical expenses.

Eligibility: Women who have been members of the American Legion Auxiliary for at least the immediate past two consecutive years and whose current membership dues are paid at the time the emergency occurs (totaling three consecutive years) may apply for assistance. The maximum grant amount is \$2,400 disbursed as the Auxiliary Emergency Fund Grant Committee determines.

What You Can Do:

Each unit should have an active Auxiliary Emergency Fund chairman/committee with resources and education available to members. Resources should include:

1. Printed application
2. Auxiliary Emergency Fund brochures
3. Fund Raising ideas/projects

A midyear narrative report (by December 15, 2018) and a year-end report (by May 1, 2019) reflecting the AEF activity to date will be due. Any further activity after those dates may also be reported until July 1, 2019.

Resources:

NATIONAL CHAIRMAN: **Suzanne Knapp**, Department of Michigan
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“Before you Begin” and AEF brochure and current assistance request form: www.ALAforVeterans.org
Other resources available: www.operationhomefront.net for general financial assistance for military families; www.211.org referral program for local help with food, housing and employment; www.fns.usda.gov/snap supplemental nutrition assistance program; www.fema.gov disaster assistance.