

NATIONAL AWARDS

U.S. "UDIE" GRANT LEGACY AWARD

To Qualify: Must be the top Department nationally, based on combined total contributions of the Legion, Auxiliary, Eight & Forty, and SAL during a contribution year (June 1 - May 31).

Type: One Department recognized annually. Plaque awarded to Department Headquarters.

When: Plaques awarded at their National Convention.

GARLAND D. MURPHY, Jr. AWARD

To Qualify: Must be the most active Department in the nation, based on actual contributions received during a contribution year (June 1 - May 31).

Type: One Department recognized annually from the Auxiliary, Legion, Eight & Forty and SAL.

When: Plaques awarded at their National Convention.

MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

To Qualify: Must be the top Department nationally in each organization (Legion, Auxiliary, Eight & Forty, and SAL) experiencing the highest increase in per capita (per member) giving in a contribution year (June 1 - May 31). This increase is computed, through comparisons of current and preceding year per capita figures.

Type: Plaque awarded to the top Department in each contributing organization.

When: Plaques are awarded for the Legion, Auxiliary and 8 & 40 at the National Information Conferences. The SAL plaque is awarded at their National Convention.

EXCELLENCE AWARD

To Qualify: Must be one of ten Departments with the highest per capita (per member) contribution average for the contribution year (June 1 - May 31) within your organization.

Type: Plaques awarded for the top Department in each contributing

organization (Legion, Auxiliary, Eight & Forty, and SAL). Citations are prepared for the nine runner-up Departments in each organization.

When: Plaques are awarded at the National Information Conferences.
Citations are mailed by September 1.

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S ACTION TEAM (C.A.T.) AWARD

To Qualify: Must be the most active CAT in the country for the Legion, Auxiliary, Eight & Forty and the SAL, based on actual contributions received during the contribution year (June 1 - May 31)

Type: Plaque.

When: Plaques awarded following National Convention at designated Department event.

DEPARTMENT AWARDS

"HERITAGE CIRCLE" GIFT CLUB

To Qualify: Awarded to Departments (Legion, Auxiliary, Eight & Forty, and SAL) for their cumulative donations made during the current contribution year (June 1 - May 31).

Type: Awarded in the following categories:

BENEFACTOR	\$5,000	Engraved plaque
PATRON	\$2,000	Engraved plaque
SPONSOR	\$1,000	Engraved plaque

When: Plaques are awarded at the National Information Conferences.
Citations are mailed by September 1.

POST-LEVEL AWARDS & INCENTIVES

"CHILDREN FIRST" GIFT CLUB

To Qualify: Awarded to organizations (posts, units, salons, and squadrons) for their cumulative donations made during the current contribution year (June 1 - May 31).

Type: Awarded in the following categories:

GUARDIAN	\$1,000	Gold plaque
ADVOCATE	\$750	Silver plaque
CARETAKER	\$500	Bronze plaque

When: Plaques mailed by September 1.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS & INCENTIVES

"CORNERSTONE" GIFT CLUB

To Qualify: Awarded to organizations (posts, units, salons, and squadrons) for their cumulative donations made during the current contribution year (June 1 - May 31).

Type: Awarded in the following categories:

FOUNDATION AMBASSADORS

\$1,000 Dated gold die-cut logo pin with five (.03 ct.) Diamonds

PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE

\$500 Dated gold die-cut logo pin with (.03 ct.) Diamond

FOUNDATION PARTNERS

\$250 Dated gold die-cut logo pin with Blue Sapphire

CENTURY CLUB

\$100 Dated gold die-cut logo pin with Amethyst

When: Pins mailed by September 15.

SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE

To Qualify: National organization (Legion, Auxiliary, Eight & Forty, and SAL) raises \$100,000 in donations with a contribution year.

Type: Dated gold die-cut logo pin with .07 ct. Diamond

When: Pins are presented to respective organization's National Commanders, National President or Chapeau National at their National Conventions.

LEADERSHIP CLUB

To Qualify: Must have established the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation as a formal Department project for their year in office.

Type: Dated gold die-cut logo pin with .05 ct. Diamond.

When: Presented to respective Department Commanders, Department Presidents and Department Chapeaus at the National Information Conferences.

CHILDREN'S ACTION TEAM (CAT) PINS

To Qualify: Be a Children's Action Team member and solicit a minimum of \$500 in individual donations within a current contribution year (June 1 - May 31).

Type: Gold die-cut logo pin with "CAT" tab. Background color of tab changes annually.

Where: Pins mailed by September 15.