



My name is Catherine Jackson. Smith: I am your chair for the Auxiliary Outreach for 2025-2026. I am a life member of VFW Post 4262 in Columbia SC as well as the District 2 Chaplain.

I am excited and passionate about being your department chairperson for this program as over the years, I have served and worked as the Auxiliary Outreach Chairperson for VFW POST 4262. I joined the auxiliary under my father, who served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict, and I am proud and honored to be a life member of the organization.

We realize Auxiliaries also participate with other community organizations, you can now report and be recognized for such community work.

All of our volunteer hours need to be counted to effectively show the importance of the local VFW and VFW Auxiliary to the community. Be visible, wear your Auxiliary attire when you volunteer. A nametag, shirt, or hat can start a conversation about who we are and what we do.

When an Auxiliary partners with an organization outside our own, it should be considered Auxiliary

Outreach. **If the project was approved by the Auxiliary and recorded in the meeting minutes prior to the project.**

Examples Include:

Partnering with a local Soup Kitchen

Partnering with local School

Partnering with an animal shelter

What's NOT Considered Auxiliary Outreach.

Volunteer work that benefits the Post or Auxiliary

Church activities for one specific congregation

Serving on board in your community

I look forward to working with each of you this year.

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