Hospital Program – August General Orders Supplement

Steps for hosting an event at or with a facility:

Before hosting an event at or with a facility, the VFW Auxiliary Chairman should get permission from the facility.

All hospital projects done by the VFW Auxiliary should be voted on at a regular meeting and recorded in the minutes.

Remember to keep track of volunteers and time. A person is only one person: A volunteer is counted only once for reporting purposes, no matter how many times he/she volunteers. However, their hours continue to accumulate.

A few recruiting tips:

~ ASK! ~

Ask friends and family, your neighbors or even a youth group to come along. Ask someone to volunteer, they may have never been asked before.

Be specific about duties, what is expected of them, time frame for the event.

Consider creating 2-3 occasional hour volunteer opportunities during the year that are low commitment for just an hour or two, whether it is a special event or a regular weekly activity that needs a few extra hands.

Did you know!

You can give your time in the following ways at VA or non-VA hospitals or nursing homes. You need only to contact the Recreational or Volunteer services to see where you can help.

For Example:

Activities – Bingo, parties (cannot do without volunteers to help)

Transportation - in the facility – help wheelchair bound veterans move around the hospital for appointments.

Greeter – you can be a greeter - greet veterans coming in for appointments and help with directions.