Voluntary Services Seminar

Mid Winter Conference 2017

DAV

FULFILLING OUR PROMISES
TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVED
• Who: All veterans or family members who have been helped by DAV, supporters of DAV

• What: A national volunteer campaign to encourage individuals to give one hour of their time in service to veterans

• Why: To grow community support of veterans and educate about DAV’s local and national services

• When: March 1st–31st

• Where: Right in your own community
Chapter and department leaders can help promote this campaign by engaging their local community:

Step 1 - Identify veteran needs in your area
Step 2 - Be creative, create volunteer opportunities
Step 3 - Expand your network of volunteers
Step 4 - Lead by example
Step 5 - Report volunteer hours at dav.org/forwardmarch
Share your own photos and videos on Facebook and Twitter use the hashtag #ForwardMarch and be sure to tag DAV (@DAVHQ on Twitter, @DAV on Facebook)
Becoming a volunteer

To become a volunteer for DAV:

Visit the local VA Medical Center Voluntary Service office, and sign up to volunteer for the DAV.

Contact the Hospital Service Coordinator at the local VA and sign up to be a driver for the DAV Transportation Network.

Contact the local DAV chapter, and ask about the LVAP program.
Local Veterans Assistance Program

In 2014, the LVAP program recorded a total of 483,916 hours.

In 2016, the LVAP program recorded over 1.1 million hours.

Since its inception in 2007, over 10,383 volunteers have donated over 4.1 million hours of voluntary service.
LVAP: DSO/CSO Work

- Claims/ Benefits Assistance
- Non-paid hours
- Volunteer must be certified through the Service department in their respective states in order to report hours.
LVAP: Fundraising Efforts

- The main focus of the activity or event is to collect funds to support DAV.
  - Forget-me-not drives
  - Golden Corral Fundraiser
  - Other approved fundraisers
LVAP: Outreach Events

- The main focus of the event is to promote DAV and its services to the public
  - DAV 5K
  - National Guard mobilizations and demobilizations
  - Parades
  - Honor Guard
LVAP: Veteran Assistance

- Yard work
- Home repairs and painting
- Building ramps at a veterans home
- Grocery shopping or running errands
- Homeless Veterans Stand Downs
- Cooking and serving dinner at Fischer Houses, etc.
- Helping a veterans family/family member
LVAP: Reporting Hours

• To report LVAP hours, volunteers should contact their local DAV chapter, DAV state department or DAV National Headquarters Voluntary Services.
• It's easy, fast, and simple!
Questions
DAV EMPOWERS VETERANS

RESPECT

ADVOCACY

HONOR

SUPPORT

COMMITMENT