

# National Military Services Chairman Responsibilities

## General Information:

The National Military Services (NMS) Chairperson is essential in coordinating efforts to support our armed forces. The VFW NMS Chairperson serves as the VFW's representative for all three of the major programs of NMS:

### **Military Assistance Program (military unit support)**

### **Operation Uplink (communication tools)**

### **Unmet Needs (financial assistance)**

Send in a monthly Chairman's Report to inform VFW National of local events and activities

Acts as our Point of Contact and coordinator for any military requests from the Department level, i.e.: provides a local VFW POC for specific events

Works with the Ladies Auxiliary Veterans and Family Support Chairman

Must be familiar with all NMS forms, procedures, reports, program information and the various support materials we offer

- **All NMS program information is available at**

**<http://www.vfw.org/Assistance/Troop-Support/>**

- **Specific material for VFW members and officers is located behind the member login.**

Establish and/or build relationships with the active military installations, National Guard and Reserves in your individual state

Communicate information from VFW National to District and Posts i.e.:

- NMS monthly newsletter
- NMS Update
- NMS email communication

Encourage Post/District/Department participation in NMS fundraising opportunities

- *NMS "Donor Supporter Cards"* Post fundraiser
- 100 Great Ideas

# Required National Military Service Monthly Chairman Report

**\*As the NMS Chairman, what did YOU do this past month?**

Tell us about all your Department troop support events not funded by National. Please include yellow ribbon events, homeless stand downs, District/Post meetings where NMS was discussed or any other event held in support of our service members, veterans and their families! Don't forget to include attendance numbers for each activity or event!

**Financial Assistance**

Did your department provide financial assistance to any veteran or service member?: No Yes

*If yes:* How many veterans or service members did you assist:

Type of assistance provided:

Assistance amount:

**Communication Tools**

Did your department have any VFW Operation Uplink virtual PIN presentations? No Yes

*If yes:* Location:

Type of presentation:

VFW/Ladies Auxiliary Involvement:

Any plans for future support of the VA location?:

Have any pictures from your visit? We'd love to hear more about how the virtual PINs are being presented to our veterans and wounded service members. Email your pictures to [uplink@vfw.org](mailto:uplink@vfw.org) or mail them to our office!

**Military Support Events**

Did your department sponsor any military activities? No Yes

*If yes:* How many:

What types of events were held:

Amount of department funds used:

Number of attendees: Military: families:

Number of new/reinstated recruits gained from event: New reinstated

**\*\*We would appreciate any comments, suggestions you may have along with extra information or reports from activities you've done.**

**Please feel free to send letters, photographs, or any details through attachments!\*\***

**PLEASE RETURN BY EMAIL OR FAX TO NMS NO LATER THAN THE 15<sup>th</sup> OF THE MONTH**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Department \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_