



Department of California  
District 28

Children & Youth  
November 19, 2023

Madam President Rebecca, all District Auxiliary officers and members, I've been quite busy since our last September meeting! I've jumped into our C&Y program with both feet and I'm well off in the running!

At the end of Sept. I went to La Mesa Elementary School armed with Youth Program brochures, Halloween coloring books as well as an arsenal of information in my head to share as part of my newest school elevator speech. Unfortunately, the Principle, Julie Alderete, was out of the office. I have attempted two more calls but have found it a bit more challenging. The good life never comes easy so I will continue to try and make contact.

On a happy note, I have made contact with both MPC & CSUMB and have sent over the PPP Nurse's Scholarship applications. I anticipate I will gain more momentum with time on more schools and our ALA program offerings. I have just begun work on our Purple Up program in April so I should be able to offer more information in the coming months.

My goal for this year is to hopefully gain momentum in side by side work with C&Y, Education, and our Americanism programs. United As One... is our theme and so much can become when we work together. As the Chair for our C&Y program, Madame President Glenda Schultz has designated us as the Dept. of Children Services. With that being said, we need to reach out and offer them our services. And there's so much we can offer. This is a program that we should all be keeping top of mind. If you have an idea, or two, please talk to me. It takes a village for our ALA family to reach all the children in Monterey County.... So let's be United As One!

The ALA Dept. of CA Bulletins offer many ideas & upcoming events so please be sure to download a copy each month to share with your members at your monthly meetings. I've attached the November issue.

Oh... did I mention our Mid-Year reports are due to me no later than Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>? Well let me get your started with the print out!

Happiest of holidays to each of you with your family & friends!  
In service not self,  
Kimberly Stuhler, C&Y Chairman



## Children & Youth November Bulletin

This year the Department of Children Services is busy thinking of ways to help serve the needs of our military families as well as community children in CA.

We have finished up our Trunk or Treat events and there have been some great accomplishments for military and community children. What's next? Have you planned anything for Veteran's Day? When we show our appreciation to our veterans; we are teaching California children how important their service is to our country is a life lesson.

Good deed awards have started to be submitted; please copy me when you submit them as well. We will continue to look out for youth hero award candidates as well. Please stay on the lookout for the amazing things youth in our community are constantly doing! We should keep an eye out in the news at social media to recognize these amazing children.

We are still asking units to collect funds for the Child Welfare Foundation. The national organization is asking for \$1 per member from every unit. Every dollar counts.

Hopefully we will be seeing pictures of Auxiliary baby showers for our CA children. These baby showers can be for military children or children in your community that need assistance. We hope all CA children get showered with love. Make the day fun for our members to get together.

Please remember- we will be collecting baby items at DEC for our own baby shower. All items collected will be given to Department President Glenda to donate to a place of her choice on behalf of the department. We will have goodies for all that donate. Please help us welcome the children of CA into the world on a bright note. A good time will be had by all!!

Remember April is Purple Up month for military children.

I would love to hear about your events as you plan; and attend if available. Please continue to share your success and let's have a great year!!

Yours in service-

Maureen O'Brien-Sacco Department Children & Youth Chairman



American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of California

**Children and Youth- Unit Mid-Year Report for 2023-2024**

Submit this completed form to your District Chairman no later than December 1, 2023.

District # \_\_\_\_\_ Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

No Activity reported during this period: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Patriotic programs for youth, including Americanism Programs in schools, and flag etiquette? Did your Unit have a 'baby shower' for military or community children? Please provide a narrative on all events.

2. Youth Hero/Good Deed Awards. Please give a narrative of the awards given.

a) Youth Hero Nominations \_\_\_\_\_

b) Youth Good Deed Nominations \_\_\_\_\_

Please give a narrative of the awards given:

3. Kids of Deployed are Heroes 2 (KDH2). Please share the activities that your Unit held which focused on this component:

4. Child Welfare Foundation-Did your Unit or a member of your Unit donate to this program?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar amount \_\_\_\_\_ Did your unit donate \$1.00 per member? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please give a brief narrative of your donations. (Please attach a copy of the donation form or receipt to this report if your Unit or a member in your Unit donated.)

5. How many applications for Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) did your Unit receive?

\_\_\_\_\_ Total amount of TFA awarded since July 1, 2023\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Provide a brief narrative of assistance provided:

6. Did your Unit conduct the Military Child's Table Setting Ceremony?  Yes  No

7. Please share any other C&Y activities that your Unit has participated in to support military children and/or children of homeless veterans:

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