



Department of California
District 28

Poppy
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Happy New Year to all! It is mid-year time, and everyone should be getting ready to attend DEC. This Chairperson is excited to see all the wonderful hats which will be submitted for the Poppy Hat competition. If you haven't started one there is still time to work on a hat and submit it next week. Please make sure to follow the guidelines.

The Mid-year report showed some units very actively promoting the Poppy Program:

- Unit 31 made 84 Poppy pins to give away in December and made some boutonnieres. They made Christmas ornaments and collected \$88.00.
- Unit 41 had \$25 donated to their program.
- Unit 69 handed out Poppies at their Poker Run. They also set out a display at a City event and handed out Poppies.
- Unit 512 had a large glass container at the Post bar where patrons are encouraged to donate & take a Poppy. Their Unit President will also be participating in the Poppy hat contest.
- Unit 589 handed out Poppies at the Salinas Veterans Day Parade in November. They also set up a beautiful display at Salinas High School.
- Unit 694 mailed over 600 Poppies to Post 694 Legion Family members in May. The unit received \$2,317 in donations. This Unit always has Poppy displays and donation cans at the Post. Poppies are gifted to those attending Memorial Day and Veterans Day ceremonies.

This has been a wonderful start for District 28. Let's get out there and share our Poppies with our communities!

Linda Lara-Guzman,
Poppy District Chairman