

CANCER GRANT DONATION FUND

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Being part of the VFW Auxiliary fosters a supportive community that offers camaraderie during challenging times, as such one of the benefits of being a member is access to the **Cancer Grant** program. This program provides financial assistance to help cover medical expenses related to cancer treatment. Members can apply for up to two grants in their lifetime, each worth \$550, which do not need to be repaid. The Cancer Grant is a vital resource for members, helping ease the financial burden of cancer treatment. Do not hesitate to seek this support if you find yourself in need.

The Cancer Grant Application is a simple one-page form that can be found on the National website, at the back of this program book or by reaching out to me. I am available to assist with the application process and provide information on eligibility.

The VFW Auxiliary depends on **ALL OF US** to sustain funding for the Cancer Grant Fund. To help keep it funded, we ask that each Auxiliary donate at least \$2 per member based upon the Auxiliary's membership as of June 30, 2025.

We understand that each program within our organization asks for monetary support and sometimes it can get overwhelming. With that in mind we are offering multiple ways for you and your members to make an even more positive impact to this program.

We are bringing back the Cancer Grant Raffle. In the President's Package you will find 1 ticket (\$2 each) for each member of your Auxiliary. The number of tickets is based on membership as of June 30, 2025. Please send your completed Cancer Grant Fund Raffle tickets and your check to me, Amber Sullivan, at the above address. *Please make checks payable* to the "VFW Auxiliary Dept. of New York." DO NOT send the Cancer Grant Raffle ticket money via MALTA. While sending it to MALTA will give you credit for participation in the Cancer Program, it will not enter you into the Raffle.

Also, in the President's Packet you will find an Instruction Sheet for each Auxiliary Treasurer on how to donate through the Gift Entry in MALTA. As stated above, a donation though MALTA will earn your participation in the Cancer Grant Donation Fund but will not give you entries into the Cancer Fund Raffle. Please remember that your auxiliary is required to participate in the Cancer Grant Donation Fund in some way. We thank you in advance for all you do for the Cancer Donation Fund.

FALL AND SPRING CONFERENCES

Cancer Fund Raffle

Three Cancer Grant Fund Raffle winners will be drawn at each Conference First Place - \$75

Second Place - **\$50**

Third Place - \$25

FALL CONFERENCE: Each AUXILIARY is asked to bring a basket aligning with President Justine's theme, "Always Stay True to Our Red, White and Blue." Let's line up our table at Fall Conference with as much Red, White and Blue as we can!

SPRING CONFERENCE: Each DISTRICT is asked to bring a cancer-related basket. This can be anything you would like. It can be themed for a specific type of Cancer or a general theme, such as, "Cancer Awareness," "Fighter," "Survivor," "Warrior", etc.

JUNE 26th CONVENTION

In Memory of and In Honor of Ribbons Will be available to purchase via mail And during the Fall and Spring Conferences



We se excited to offer "In Memory of" and "In Honor of" paper ribbons, designed to honor loved ones, celebrate remarkable achievements, and support those affected by cancer. We look forward to seeing your messages of encouragement and hope on these ribbons, which will be prominently displayed throughout the June 2026 convention, creating a powerful visual tribute.

\$5 Donation

*Full details have been included in your President's Package.

We will have candy and other items available at ALL Conferences and Conventions for a small donation.

Please check out the Auxiliary News for updates on all things related to cancer research, new technology and how you can help. Everyone can do something. If your Auxiliary hosts a Cancer Awareness Event or Fundraiser, let me know! I would love to hear your thoughts and ideas on how we can all make a positive impact on the Cancer Donation Fund.

Use the #StayTrueToTheFight on social media. Feel free to call, text or email me, anytime!

Visit the Cancer table at the Spring and Fall Conferences and at Convention say "Hi" and purchase an In Memory of or Honor Ribbon. Thank you to each Auxiliary member for their support of this program.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" ~ Helen Keller "Always Stay True to Our Red, White and Blue" "From Sea to Shining Sea Honoring Veterans Who Keep Us Free"

