



Department of New York-VFW Auxiliary-Darlene Baker, President
Veterans and Family Support Program
Dee Ippolito, 2024-2025 Chairman

National Veterans Service (NVS)

- 5 VFW Service Officers-Buffalo, NYC
- Trained to help veterans and family members navigate the Veterans Affairs system.

Veterans and Military Support Program (VMS)

- *Military Assistance Program (MAP)*-provides financial assistance for posts, districts and departments to sponsor send-offs homecomings and get-togethers—ways to connect to troops
- *Sports Clips Help a Hero Scholarships*-up to \$5000 to help veterans complete their educational goals.
- *Unmet Needs*-help in a crisis-soldier serving overseas and rent is due, car broke down. Grants up to \$1500 paid to creditor.

Mental Health Awareness and Suicide Prevention

- Mindfulness
- Stop 22 Walks
- Contact Suicide Coalition in your area.
- Contact VA in your area for Suicide Awareness information
Crisis Line 988 option 1

Acts of Kindness

Examples-

Take a veteran to an appointment

Make and take meals to veteran

Help a veteran's family member

Thanksgiving dinners

Gifts for families, ETC.

In Lieu of Cards

The Card accompanies the trees, menorahs and decorations being sent overseas to our troops.

Helps defray cost of sending trees, menorahs and decorations overseas.

\$5/signature



Holiday Cheer/Trees for Troops



- Trees, menorahs and decorations are sent each year to our military serving overseas.
- \$25/tree/decorations/menorahs

Disaster Assistance

- Donate to help those affected by Hurricane Helene and Milton.

- Donate funds to: VFW Auxiliary-
Dept of NY, memo-Disaster Relief

- Send to D.Ippolito, 24 Blue Jay Circle, Lancaster, NY 14086



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Thank you for your service to our Veterans and
Families!
D. Ippolito