

Who Belongs in the DAV Auxiliary?

- Family and extended family members of veterans who were disabled or died in military service
- Family and extended family members of veterans who have served in the military without sustaining injury
- Family and extended family members of those in active military service
- Family and extended family of Auxiliary members who are not otherwise eligible for membership
- DAV members

Every person who is eligible should belong to the DAV Auxiliary if they believe in protecting the rights of disabled veterans and their families.

DAV Auxiliary Membership

By joining the DAV Auxiliary, you are lending your voice to our legislative efforts on behalf of all veterans and their families. A life membership can be secured at any age with a \$20 down payment and a flexible membership payment plan. This life membership seals your commitment to the Auxiliary, your veteran and your family.

Junior Membership

The DAV Auxiliary encourages junior member involvement in all programs of the organization. Learning by example, juniors experience firsthand the rewards of volunteerism and service to the community as well as the significance of honoring our nation's veterans. Children who are age 17 or younger may belong to the Junior Auxiliary. A signature is required from a parent or legal guardian.

Need Help with Benefits or Services?

For your nearest DAV National Service Office address and phone number, use the following:

- Visit **benefitsquestions.org**
- Call 1 (877) I Am A Vet (1-877-426-2838)
- Write to DAV National Headquarters, 860 Dolwick Drive Erlanger, KY 41018

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Supporting Veterans and their Families

The DAV Auxiliary is committed to supporting the principles of DAV and devoted to keeping the purpose and goals of our organization. As advocates for the well-being of disabled veterans and their families, caregivers and survivors, we are dedicated to the pursuance of veterans advocacy, instilling patriotism in our fellow Americans, promoting youth involvement in all programs and encouraging voluntary service.

Services offered by the DAV Auxiliary to support veterans and their families include:

- More than **44,000 volunteer hours** at local Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers (\$1,478,918.40 value)
- More than **150,000 hours** of community service
- More than **614,000 miles** driven by Auxiliary members
- More than **\$1,121,000** in donations

The DAV Auxiliary was founded in 1922 by those driven by a mission in keeping our promise to America's veterans, ensuring they were not forgotten by our nation and its policymakers. The DAV Auxiliary still serves today, helping the families of veterans who sacrificed so much for our country.

When it comes to veteran families and the caregivers who dedicate their lives to caring for their beloved veterans, the DAV Auxiliary recognizes the unwavering commitment and continues to actively promote programs and resources beneficial to their needs.

There are many great reasons to join the DAV Auxiliary: exclusive member benefits, exceptional volunteer programs, opportunities to serve veterans and their families directly, a chance to help others in your community and much more. But the most important reason for joining the DAV Auxiliary is knowing you are supporting veterans, their caregivers and their families.

Your membership strengthens the DAV Auxiliary in its ongoing efforts to defend against benefit deterioration. Just belonging to the Auxiliary accomplishes so much — long before you attend your first meeting.

Be as Active as You Want to be

Everyone has different demands on their time. Many who work and have families to care for have precious little time. Others have considerable time and welcome opportunities to serve. If you have time to help in the Auxiliary's work, there is plenty for you to do. But if you can only support the Auxiliary through your membership, we welcome you!

Activities in DAV Auxiliary local units vary widely. The following programs are just a sample of how you can get involved.

Volunteer Work at Veterans Hospitals

DAV Auxiliary members donate countless hours of their time to work with patients at veterans' hospitals, nursing homes, clinics and domiciliaries. Some volunteers have regular schedules with an amazing variety of assigned duties. Others share in entertainment functions organized by their Auxiliary units. Either way, nothing says more about our Auxiliary members' commitment to serving those who have paid the price for America's freedom.

Community Service

Auxiliary units provide direct service to veterans and their families in the community when they need it most. Holiday dinners, toy drives, home repairs, back-to-school shopping, special events in local facilities and other creative efforts geared toward veterans and their families not only boost morale among members but also carry out our mission.

Americanism

Many Auxiliary members are involved in nonpolitical programs to encourage good citizenship and patriotism. Americanism is based on principals outlined in the Constitution such as freedom, liberty, individualism, constitutionalism, human rights, meritocracy and the rule of law.



Legislative Action

Whenever the rights and benefits of wounded, ill and injured veterans and their families are under threat, the DAV Auxiliary stands strong. Nowhere is this more evident than in our advocacy for disabled veterans, their families, caregivers and survivors. One of the best ways to stay involved in our advocacy is through DAV CAN (Commander's Action Network). Through DAV CAN, you can stay informed and take action to support federal legislation and policies affecting veterans, their families, caregivers and survivors. We encourage everyone to sign up by visiting davcan.org.

Programs Offered Service

The DAV Auxiliary and service go hand in hand, and all Auxiliary members are prepared to offer assistance when called upon. That's who we are and what we do. Program funding is through a portion of the national mandates and generous donations from members, individuals, units and state departments.

Caregiver Initiative

The DAV Auxiliary understands the sacrifices not only of those who have or are serving but also of the caregivers—the men and women who have chosen to dedicate their lives for the rehabilitation and recovery of their veteran family member. We have launched the Caregiver Initiative, an ongoing program to enhance the lives of veteran caregivers. Caregivers are not alone, and the DAV Auxiliary will continue to demonstrate the important role they play in the lives of veterans.

DAVA 4 Kids Grant

This program is designed to assist children age 3 through high school senior whose parent or legal guardian is a current service member or a veteran and who have a financial need. It can assist with payments to attend program camps (sports, band, recreational, religious, etc.), participate in extracurricular activities and help with certain extenuating circumstances.

Education Scholarship

The DAV Auxiliary offers an educational scholarship to community members who dedicate their time volunteering for veterans and their families. Program funding is through a portion of the national mandates and generous donations from members, individuals, units and state departments.

Vocational/Training Assistance

The DAV Auxiliary is committed to helping with the educational needs of those we serve by providing financial assistance, based on available program funds, to ill and injured veterans and their immediate family members seeking education opportunities at facilities other than accredited colleges or universities.

For more information on our programs, visit auxiliary.dav.org/membership/programs.

Bequests and Gifts

The DAV Auxiliary functions through the generosity of our members and their contributions. Our growth is a direct indication of those generous donors and the support they show. You can give to our organization by becoming a member, donating what you can to fund our programs or leaving a bequest. A bequest is a legacy, one that reveals impactful dedication and serves as a monumental gift for the organization. The DAV Auxiliary would be honored to represent that legacy.



For more information scan the QR code or visit davauxiliary.org.



CAREGIVERS SUPPORT

The no-cost program offers tailored support and resources to veteran caregivers or friends, family members and loved ones who are caregivers for veterans. DAV Caregivers Support helps improve the quality of life for care receivers and their caregivers while extending the time those care receivers can live in their own home.

Register

- Visit davcaregivers.org or call 800-421-5137 and complete the initial screening.

Resources and Support

- Access online content, local resources and digital tools tailored to your unique caregiving situation, roles and responsibilities.

Care Specialists

- Depending on your needs, you may receive one-on-one support from a trained DAV Caregivers Support specialist who will help you navigate your caregiving responsibilities.

Spread the Word

- Inform other veteran caregivers and caregivers of veterans that DAV Caregivers Support is here to help—at no cost to them.



To learn more visit davcaregivers.org or call 800-421-5137.

Life Membership Application

The cost of a DAV Auxiliary life membership includes all dues, fees and assessments for the member's lifetime.

Life membership rate: \$300 Age 80 and older: Free

Start your life membership with a \$20 down payment. Billing will occur quarterly until membership is paid in full.

Junior membership is complimentary through age 17, or a life membership can be started for \$20 down.

State _____ Unit _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

ZIP _____ Phone _____

Email _____ DOB ____/____/____
REQUIRED

☐ NEW LIFE (\$20 Down Payment) ☐ LIFE PAYMENT

☐ NEW JUNIOR (Complimentary)

***Signature Required**

☐ JUNIOR LIFE (\$20 Down Payment) ☐ JUNIOR LIFE PAYMENT

***Signature Required**

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***Signature required by parent/legal guardian for junior members:**
I certify that I am 18 years of age or older. I am the parent or legal guardian of the minor named in this membership application. I have the legal right to consent to and I hereby do consent to the minor named herein becoming a member of DAV Auxiliary. I further consent and agree that the company may collect and use my child's personal and nonpersonal information for purposes of this membership and in accordance with the DAV's Privacy Policy unless and until I contact the DAV Auxiliary to revoke or alter my consent. I understand that my consent to these provisions is given in consideration of the acceptance of the minor's membership application.

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

Amount Paid \$ _____

IF THIS IS A LIFE MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT, SKIP TO THE SIGNATURE LINE.
Eligibility through:

NAME _____ RELATIONSHIP _____

SPONSOR'S SIGNATURE _____ SPONSOR'S CODE # _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____

AE/VISA/MC/DISCOVER # _____ EXP. DATE _____

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