

American Legion *Child Welfare Foundation*



Annual Report **2013**

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President's Message

The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation has enjoyed another great year as a direct result of the combined efforts and generosity of our Legion family. Without the unequalled support of the Sons of The American Legion this level of charity would not have been reached.


In 1954, The American Legion allowed the separate incorporation of the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. Since then, the Foundation has granted over \$13.2 million dollars to nonprofit youth-oriented organizations, providing them a means to educate families and communities about the needs of special children across this nation. And most of these donations have come in five or ten dollars at a time from people just like you.

In October of 2013, the Board of Directors approved grants to 21 nonprofit organizations in the amount of \$644,055 for projects to be completed in calendar year 2014.

I am pleased to report during the 2012 – 2013 contribution year donations exceeded \$769,320 with over \$453,559 of that amount coming to us from the Sons of The American Legion!

Members of The American Legion family are the primary contributors to the success and growth of our foundation. Your support allows the foundation to continue funding projects that improve the quality of life for our nation's children. Since The American Legion generously takes care of our overhead costs, including staff salaries, rent, utilities and office supplies, money donated is entered into the trust fund to be used for grants. Very few foundations can tout this efficiency

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the staff, and all the children throughout this great country of ours...Thank You!



Dennis R. Boland, President

Mission

Though created by The American Legion in 1954, the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, Inc. is a separate 501 (c) 3 corporation.

Our foremost philanthropic priority is to provide other nonprofit organizations with a means to educate the public about the needs of children across this nation.

Areas of Interest

The Foundation accepts proposals from nonprofit organizations for projects that:

- ◇ Contribute to the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual welfare of children through the dissemination of knowledge about new and innovative organizations and/or their programs designed to benefit youth; and/or
- ◇ Contribute to the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual welfare of children through the dissemination of knowledge already possessed by well-established organizations, to the end that such information can be more adequately used by society.

Brief History

In 1952, Arkansas Department Commander Dr. Garland D. Murphy, Jr. approached The American Legion with an offer to provide a valuable contribution if they could figure out some way his gift could be used solely for children. After much study and discussion, the idea of a foundation was adopted. Later that year, the National Executive Committee appointed a special committee to determine the feasibility of establishing such a proposed foundation.

Eventually, on October 15, 1953, the National Executive Committee approved the establishment of the Foundation and entered into a trust agreement with Dr. Murphy. Legal work was completed, and on July 9, 1954, the Foundation was duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Indiana. At that time, Dr. Murphy assigned to the Foundation deeds to fractional mineral rights on nearly 10,000 acres of land in the oil-rich Williston Basin in Montana and North Dakota.

In 1955, the Foundation gave its first three grants totaling \$22,500 to three organizations. The Delinquency Control Institute, the National Association for Retarded Children, and the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness were the first three beneficiaries.

To date, the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation has awarded over \$13.2 million to organizations to improve the lives of the children of this country.

2013 Grant Recipients

American Academy of Pediatrics of Elk Grove Village, Illinois, was awarded \$12,180 for their project “Connected Kids.” This grant will update and enhance the content of Connected Kids, taking into account new forms of violence (e. g. cyberbullying) and new research on issues related to exposure to violence and toxic stress. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

Childhood Leukemia Foundation of Brick, New Jersey, was awarded \$60,000 for their project “Hope Binders.” This grant will produce and distribute 2,000 Hope Binders to 200 hospitals across the nation. The binders assist families with the task of tracking and prioritizing medical information and costs associated with their child’s treatment.

Children’s Organ Transplant Association of Bloomington, Indiana, was awarded \$43,050 for their project “Bowling for Life.” The grant will produce “Bowling for Life” fundraising materials such as templates for events with step-by-step instructions, media releases and social networking tips. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

CureSearch for Children’s Cancer of Bethesda, Maryland, was awarded \$25,500 for their project “Childhood Cancer Care for the Whole Patient: CureSearch Webinar Series.” This grant will provide funding for three webinar programs to help families manage the psychosocial aspects of having a child with cancer. The Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

Darkness to Light of Charleston, South Carolina, was awarded \$45,486 for their project “Helping Military Families Prevent Child Abuse.” The grant will produce and distribute 15,000 “sets” of child abuse prevention educational materials customized for military families to thirty-three Armed Forces YMCAs in the United States. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

Diabetes Education & Camping Association of Huntsville, Alabama, was awarded \$40,000 for their project “D-Source: The New and Improved Website of U.S. Diabetes Camps.” This grant will reconstruct the DECA website to improve member camps and the public’s ability to access online information about diabetes camps for youth and families.

Huntington’s Disease Society of America of New York, New York, was awarded \$30,000 for their project “Talking to Your Children about Huntington’s Disease Handbook.” This grant will fund a comprehensive handbook to guide parents through the process of explaining Huntington’s Disease to a child, their peers, and respective school. The Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

Immune Deficiency Foundation of Towson, Maryland, was awarded \$48,500 for their project “The Little Zebra – A Children’s Storybook.” The grant will produce an illustrated children’s storybook that will help explain primary immunodeficiency disease (PID) to a child or their peers. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation of New York, New York, was awarded \$39,500 for their project “Type One – The Teen Years.” The grant will produce a DVD that will help teens understand the importance of maintaining a healthy balance of diet, exercise, and insulin intake.

Mercy Flight Southeast, Inc. of Leesburg, Florida, was awarded \$17,394 for their project “Project Outreach SE USA 2012.” This grant will update and reprint the original Mercy Flight tri-fold

information brochure, which includes contact information to request transportation, and an opportunity to donate to Mercy Flight and volunteer as a pilot or “earth angel.” The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

National Autism Association of Attleboro Falls, Massachusetts, was awarded \$58,000 for their project “Big Red Safety Box Program.” The grant will produce 3,000 safety kits to be given free to families of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

National Center for Learning Disabilities of New York, New York, was awarded \$45,000 for their project “LD Navigator for Pediatric Healthcare Professionals.” This grant will produce “Ask the Expert” videos, to be included in the toolkits to help pediatricians and pediatric nurse practitioners serve the learning disabled. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

National Court Appointed Special Advocate Association of Seattle, Washington, was awarded \$40,000 for their project “Ready, Set, Raise! I am for the child tools and training for grassroots activation.” This grant will produce the “Ready, Set, Raise! Project” of an activation guide, with two toolkits, for grassroots activation in local CASA markets. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

National Exchange Club Foundation of Toledo, Ohio, was awarded \$24,530 for their project “Believe in the Blue 2013 – What do I do when my child...?” The grant will produce 44,000 “What to do when my child...?” booklets, 40,000 tip cards, 26,000 “message” magnets and 500 posters. The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

National Marfan Association of Port Washington, New York, was awarded \$25,000 for their project “KidZone Online Community Space.” This grant will create and maintain Marfan KidZone, an online space that will make it possible for children with Marfan syndrome and their families to access age appropriate information and activities to help them understand their condition. The Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

Our Military Kids of McLean, Virginia, was awarded \$60,000 for their project “Strengthening the Our Military Kids Brand.” The grant will produce and distribute a public service announcement and conduct a public relations campaign. The Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

Spina Bifida Association of Washington, DC, was awarded \$45,000 for their project “Educating Children with Spina Bifida on Health Issues They are Facing.” The grant will produce and distribute copies of the books “Detour Ahead” and “Another Way to Go” to support the needs of children with Spina Bifida and their parents.

SuperSibs! of Palatine, Illinois, was awarded \$16,210 for their project “SuperSibs! SibSPEAK Website.” This grant will fund the creation of a website for teens called SibSPEAK. The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

The National Children’s Cancer Society of St. Louis, Missouri, was awarded \$15,870 for their project “Moving Mountains.” This grant will provide an activity book for children ages 6-12 with cancer and a pamphlet for college- age students. The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

US Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation of Columbus, Ohio, was awarded \$43,000 for their project "Trailblazer Adventure Program – Blazing an Outdoor Trail." The grant will produce informational handouts and newsletters, and enriched website. The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

Recent Grants

At its October 13, 2013, meeting, the Child Welfare Foundation Board of Directors awarded \$644,005 for 2014 to the twenty-one organizations listed here:

Autism Speaks of New York, New York, was awarded \$32,350 for their project, "100 Day Kit for Newly Diagnosed Families." This grant will provide information kits on Autism and will encourage early intervention and supportive services. The Sons of the American Legion sponsors this grant.

Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation of Baltimore, Maryland, was awarded \$25,000 for their project, "Healthy Choices, Healthy Children Booklets." This grant will produce booklets to assist adult mentors and law enforcement personnel in teaching teamwork, leadership, communication and personal responsibility to the kids they serve. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

Chadwick Center for Children and Families at Rady Children's Hospital of San Diego, California, was awarded \$40,350 for their project, "Disseminating Best Practices for Preventing Child Abuse and Family Violence." This grant would provide a webcast of a multidisciplinary conference on child abuse, as well as brochures and email blasts.

Children's Hospital & Medical Center Foundation of Omaha, Nebraska, was awarded \$14,000 for their project, "Period of PURPLE Crying Injury Prevention Program." This grant will underwrite the production of an infant injury prevention program that will include the distribution of DVDs and educational booklets. The Sons of The American Legion sponsors this grant.

Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation of Avon, Connecticut, was awarded \$18,287 for their project, "CdLS Education Toolkit for Parents and Professionals." This grant will provide toolkits, with information about this syndrome, to parents and professionals.

Face the Future Foundation of Chicago, Illinois, was awarded \$6,575 for their project entitled, "Family and Public Support Program for Children with Craniofacial Birth Defects." This grant will produce and distribute an informational video to assist parents with reducing their child's challenging behaviors and increase social and self-control skills. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

Father Flanagan's Boy's Home (aka Boys Town) of Boys Town, Nebraska, was awarded \$35,500 for their project, "Boys Town National Hotline Online Awareness Campaign." This grant will fund an internet publicity campaign to promote awareness of the Boys Town National Hotline. The Sons of The American Legion sponsors this grant.

Joe Foss Institute of Scottsdale, Arizona, was awarded \$10,000 for their project, "Veterans Inspiring Patriotism Program." This grant will provide students with copies of the United States Constitution and Declaration of Independence. The Sons of The American Legion sponsors this grant.

KS&A (Klinefelter Syndrome and Associates) of Pine, Colorado, was awarded \$20,000 for their project “Genetic Information Kits for Newly Diagnosed Children with X and Y Chromosome Variations.” This grant will provide informational booklets to parents of children with chromosome variation. The Sons of The American Legion sponsors this grant.

National Alliance of Child Abuse Prevention Funds of Seattle, Washington, was awarded \$25,260 for their project, “Bringing the Protective Factors to life in your Work – a Resource for Action.” This grant will produce toolkits for trainers to educate professionals and caregivers to help prevent child abuse and neglect. The American Legion Auxiliary and The Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

National Autism Center of Randolph, Massachusetts, was awarded \$50,000 for their project, “Evidence-Based Educational Interventions in Public School Settings for Children with ASD.” This grant will produce and disseminate information to support an intervention program targeted towards schools and special education administrators. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

National Braille Press of Boston, Massachusetts, was awarded \$18,500 for their project, “Just Enough to Know Better: A Braille Primer.” This grant will produce a Braille primer for sighted parents to teach their blind children to read. The Sons of The American Legion sponsors this grant.

Organization for Autism Research of Arlington, Virginia, was awarded \$67,400 for their project, “Autism Tuned In.” This grant will develop an interactive, web-based program to enhance the lives of children with autism. The Sons of The American Legion sponsors this grant.

Partnership for Food Safety Education of Arlington, Virginia, was awarded \$20,600 for their project, “Phase II of the BAC! Fighter National Youth Campaign.” This grant will develop online resources to educate the public about foodborne illnesses and safe food handling. The Sons of The American Legion sponsors this grant.

Prevent Child Abuse America of Chicago, Illinois, was awarded \$14,383 for their project, “Helping Offenders Prevent Child Abuse and Assist in Healthy Development of Families.” This grant will underwrite the printing and distribution of a special baby journal aimed at preventing child abuse.

Society for the Prevention of Teen Suicide, Inc. of Freehold, New Jersey, was awarded \$30,100 for their project, “Remote Delivery of Lifelines Suicide Prevention Program to Schools.” This grant will promote Lifeline Suicide Prevention Program in public schools through online training.

Songs of Love Foundation of Forest Hills, New York, was awarded \$25,000 for their project, “Songs of Love Outreach Project.” This grant will produce and disseminate brochures and update the organization’s website to promote awareness of the services offered. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

The American Legion National Headquarters Americanism Division of Indianapolis, Indiana, was awarded \$69,000 for their project, “The American Legion National Oratorical Contest – A Constitutional Speech Contest.” This grant will provide scholarship money to participants in the national contest. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Gateway Chapter of St. Louis, Missouri, was awarded \$5,000 for their project, “Pediatric Patient Out Reach.” This grant will provide booklets and hospital visitation

kits for families with children diagnosed with leukemia and lymphoma. The American Legion Auxiliary and The Sons of The American Legion sponsor this grant.

Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors of Arlington, Virginia, was awarded \$26,500 for their project, “Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors Children’s Bereavement Guide.” This grant will produce and disseminate bereavement guidebooks. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant. **Young Marines** of Washington, District of Columbia, was awarded \$90,000 for their project, “Young Marines Drug Demand Reduction.” This grant will underwrite the purchase and dissemination of anti-drug literature and promotional items. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors this grant.

The Lifeblood of Our Organization: Our Donors

The primary source of Foundation funds is contributions from our individual members. In addition, funds come to us from Posts, Units, Salons, Squadrons, Departments and National contributions from The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary, the Sons of The American Legion and the Eight & Forty.

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Post 24 - Mississippi
Post 271 - Florida
Post 274 - Florida
Post 284 – Virginia
Post 312 – Alabama
Post 340 – Florida
Post 347 – Florida
Post 103 – Florida Legion Riders

American Legion Auxiliary

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Unit 135 – Florida
Unit 162 – Florida
Unit 25 – Florida
Unit 274 – Florida
Unit 275 – Florida
Unit 283 – Florida
Unit 323 – Florida
Unit 69 - Florida

Eight and Forty

Salon 1 – California
Salon 11 - Indiana
Salon 2 – Michigan
Salon 3 – South Dakota
Salon 31 - Arizona
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Sons of The American Legion

Squadron 1 – Arizona
Squadron 10 – Virginia
Squadron 104 – Oregon
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Squadron 1097 – Virginia
Squadron 113 – Kentucky
Squadron 117 – Arizona
Squadron 119 – Florida
Squadron 122 – Oregon
Squadron 135 – Florida
Squadron 137 – Florida
Squadron 143 – Pennsylvania
Squadron 148 – Florida
Squadron 15 – Colorado
Squadron 155 – California
Squadron 161 – Colorado
Squadron 164 – Ohio
Squadron 17 – Colorado
Squadron 178 – Colorado
Squadron 178 – South Carolina
Squadron 180 – Oregon
Squadron 194 – Ohio
Squadron 21 – Colorado
Squadron 216 – Michigan
Squadron 232 – Georgia
Squadron 237 – Alabama
Squadron 24 – Arizona

Squadron 25 – Virginia
Squadron 253 – Missouri
Squadron 26 – Arizona
Squadron 26 – Pennsylvania
Squadron 27 – Arizona
Squadron 275 – Florida
Squadron 283 – Florida
Squadron 284 – Virginia
Squadron 29 – Arizona
Squadron 327 – Virginia
Squadron 338 – New Jersey
Squadron 34 – South Carolina
Squadron 347 – Florida
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Squadron 8 – Ohio
Squadron 91 – Arizona
Squadron 96 – Washington
Squadron 97 – Ohio
Squadron 97 – Indiana
Squadron 979 – Illinois
Squadron 998 - Pennsylvania

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(\$750 - \$999)

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Post 44 – New Mexico

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District 6 – Kansas
Unit 136 – Florida
Unit 356 – Florida
Unit 36 - Wyoming

Eight and Forty

Salon 23 - Ohio
Salon 5 – Kansas
Salon 7 – Florida
Salon 9 - Nebraska

Sons of The American Legion

District 13 – Florida
District 4 – Ohio
Squadron 1985 – Colorado
Squadron 253 – Indiana
Squadron 273 – Florida
Squadron 331 – Nebraska
Squadron 67 – Virginia
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Post 108 – Pennsylvania
Post 11 – Alaska
Post 137 – Florida
Post 14 – Wyoming
Post 193 – California
Post 209 – Colorado
Post 323 – Florida
Post 331 – Florida
Post 334 – Florida
Post 337 – New York
Post 73 – New Jersey
Post 83 – Texas
Post 665 – Legion Riders Pennsylvania

American Legion Auxiliary

Unit 104 – Florida
Unit 117 – Florida
Unit 120 – Florida
Unit 131 – Arizona
Unit 152 – Florida
Unit 161 – Colorado
Unit 219 – Florida
Unit 245 – Florida
Unit 252 – Florida
Unit 267 – Florida
Unit 309 – Florida
Unit 359 – Florida
Unit 5 – Florida
Unit 80 - Florida

Eight and Forty

Salon 26 – Missouri
Salon 37 – Virginia
Salon 41 – Washington
Salon 8 - Alabama

Sons of The American Legion

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The Board of Directors wishes to express their heartfelt thanks to all foundation donors for your kind support. Your charitable gifts continue to make a difference in the lives of children across America.

The American Legion generously takes care of our overhead costs. As a result, all of the money donated is entered into the trust fund to be used for grants. Few, if any, other foundations can make this claim.

As a 501 (c) 3 organization, contributions to the American Legion Child Welfare foundation are tax deductible. Every gift received is acknowledged by official receipt. Accurate records are kept according to state, organization and donor. All cash contributions are acknowledged regardless of the amount.

Memorials

“We are born for a higher destiny than that of earth; there is a realm where the rainbow never fades, where the stars will be spread before us like islands that slumber on the ocean, and where the beings that pass before us like shadows will stay in our presence forever.”

- - Edward Bulwer-Lytton

A gift of remembrance to the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation is a wonderful way to recognize someone who has made a difference in your life. It is a thoughtful memorial, or a way to honor someone on special occasions, such as birthday, retirement, anniversary or holiday.

These gifts are a gratifying way for individuals, organizations, businesses and groups to honor someone while supporting the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation’s mission to provide other nonprofit organizations with a means to educate the public about the needs of children across this nation.

Planned Gifts

Everyone has been blessed with special gifts and talents. It is up to us to make the most of them while we are alive – and to leave others a legacy of love after we pass into our Lord’s hands. By remembering the Foundation in your charitable planned gifts, you can ensure that your generosity lives on in perpetuity, both for your family, and on behalf of our nation’s young people.

Wills

After providing for the needs of your loved ones, you may choose one of several ways to benefit the Foundation. You can use your Will to make a gift of a dollar amount, a specific property or a percentage of your estate; you may also donate the unspecified remaining value after you have cared for your loved ones.

Life Insurance

One of the simplest ways to make a significant gift in the future is to name the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation as beneficiary to receive all or a portion of the proceeds of a policy no longer needed for its original purpose. Another way to make a gift of life insurance is to purchase a new policy naming the Foundation as beneficiary. Should you designate the Foundation, as the irrevocable owner and beneficiary, there are important tax savings to which you could be entitled.

Your personal financial situation is unique. You should discuss your estate plans with your family and your financial and legal advisers before making any charitable gift.

2012 – 2013 Annual Foundation Award Winners

U.S. "UDIE" GRANT LEGACY AWARD

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Department of Florida

GARLAND D. MURPHY JR. AWARD

Presented to the most active Department (Legion, Auxiliary, SAL, Eight & Forty) in the nation.

Legion	Department of Florida	\$31,187.44
Auxiliary	Department of Florida	\$29,548.46
SAL	Detachment of Ohio	\$51,738.17
8 & 40	Departemental de Michigan	\$ 3,108.53

EXCELLENCE AWARD

A national award presented to the top ten Departments within each organization
with the highest per capita (per member) contribution average.

The American Legion	American Legion Auxiliary	Sons of The American Legion	Eight & Forty
Alabama	Wyoming	Mississippi	South Dakota
New York	Florida	Colorado	Texas
Kansas	Alabama	Arizona	Michigan
Connecticut	Arizona	Nevada	Alabama
Massachusetts	Washington	Wyoming	Minnesota
Wyoming	Colorado	Oregon	Mississippi
Washington	Kentucky	Alabama	California
Florida	Nevada	Virginia	Virginia
Iowa	Idaho	Washington	Kentucky
Virginia	New Mexico	South Carolina	Florida

MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

A national award presented to the top Department within each organization (Legion, Auxiliary, SAL, Eight & Forty)
experiencing the highest increase in per capita giving.

The American Legion	American Legion Auxiliary	Sons of The American Legion	Eight & Forty
Department of Alabama	Department of Colorado	Detachment of North Dakota	Departemental de South Dakota

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