

# CHECKPOINT



## VFW Checkpoint – November 2024

Greetings, Checkpoint readers! Enjoy this installment of your Checkpoint newsletter.

Please take this opportunity to see what other Posts around the world are doing to better their communities. Be sure to share the valuable information you get here with your fellow VFW members. If you know someone who is not receiving Checkpoint, encourage them to email [magazine@vfw.org](mailto:magazine@vfw.org) and get signed up.

This issue of Checkpoint especially highlights the important work VFW members do in their communities in the name of continued service. From a street fair on Long Island in New York to a long-standing fair outside Cincinnati, Ohio, read how VFW Posts supported those events. On Veterans Day, a Post in Texas served more than 350 free meals to veterans. Meanwhile, an Illinois VFW Post commemorated VFW's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a community celebration. The VFW Department of Texas was the recipient of a \$60,000 donation from Hometown Hero. The donation will benefit the Department's assistance programs for veterans. Read these stories and more in your November Checkpoint newsletter.

Be sure to let us know what your VFW Post is doing in your community. Include great photos showing your members in action. We are always looking to promote the great efforts of the VFW. Email [jdthouse@vfw.org](mailto:jdthouse@vfw.org) your suggestion, and you just might see it in an upcoming issue of Checkpoint.

A banner for MetLife Federal Legal Plans. On the left, a blue background contains the text: 'Benefits you've earned. Legal coverage you can trust. 18,000 Attorneys | 80 Covered Matters | \$22/Month'. On the right, there is a photo of a soldier in uniform kissing a child on the cheek. To the right of the photo is the MetLife logo and the text 'Federal Legal Plans' and a blue button that says 'Click to Explore'.



### VFW Post Supports Town Street Fair

During the annual street fair in the Village of New Hyde Park on Long Island, N.Y., members of VFW Post 120 shared their community spirit. [They distributed VFW Buddy Poppies and handed out U.S. flags, while discussing benefits of VFW membership.](#)



## Recruiting at Harvest Home Fair

Members of VFW Post 10380 in Green Township, Ohio, just outside Cincinnati, are a fixture at the annual Harvest Home Fair. [The Post's booth was manned throughout the weekend event by 16 VFW members who recruited members and distributed nearly 850 small U.S. flags to children.](#)

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## VFW Store Offers Gifts for Everyone

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## Texas VFW Post Serves More than 350 Meals

VFW Post 6441 in Wimberley, Texas, has a reputation of serving its community. During the Post's Veterans Day open house, more than 350 free meals were dished up to veterans. [These events began seven years ago and are going strong.](#)



## Chicagoland VFW Post Celebrates

VFW Post 3873 in Naperville, Ill., commemorated VFW's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Sept. 29. The community event included a proclamation presented by the city mayor. [Dinner and live music completed the event.](#)

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## \$60,000 Donation to Texas VFW

Hometown Hero made a \$60,000 donation to the VFW Department of Texas. [The funds will be used for VFW to continue is long-standing mission of assisting veterans and providing critical resources.](#)



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