

Military Assistance Program Grant Guidelines



Purpose:

To provide financial assistance to VFW Posts/Depts. and Auxiliaries who sponsor events with their local military community. These funds are meant to build relationships and provide information on VFW programs and services.

How to apply for a MAP Grant:

- 1. A VFW/Aux member must submit using the MAP Grant Application.
- 2. Application must be signed and dated by the Post/Dept. Commander, Quartermaster or the Auxiliary President or Treasurer.
- 3. The grant is limited to basic food items and Non Alcoholic beverages for currently serving military and their family members only.

It does not cover equipment/venue rentals, gifts, decorations, entertainment, etc.

- 4. The grant does not cover public or formal events such as: Military Dining In/Out, Military Balls, Change of Command/Responsibility Ceremonies, etc.
- 5. The grant application must be submitted no later than 14 days prior to the event. Any exceptions to this must be submitted in writing to the Director VFW Programs for approval.
- 6. An After Action Report along with eligible receipts must be submitted within 30 days of the event. Non submission will result in the Dept./Post/Auxiliary being billed for the grant amount.
- 7. If the event receipts total less that the grant amount provided, the Dept./Post/Auxiliary will be required to refund the difference within 30 days.
- 8. If the event is cancelled a full refund is required. If rescheduled for a later date, a written explanation must be submitted to the MAP office detailing the new dates. It will be determined by the MAP office and VFW Program Director whether a refund will be requested or the Dept./Post/Auxiliary will be allowed to keep the grant amount.
- 9. MAP Grants may be submitted by the following:
- Email: <u>map@vfw.org</u>
- Fax 816-968-2779
 Mail to: VFW National Headquarters
 ATTN: MAP
 406 W. 34th Street, Suite 902
 Kansas City, MO 64111

Note: Prior approval of similar events does not guarantee future approval. All applications must be signed and dated.