

OUR BUDDY POPPY PROGRAM

Now that 2020 is history, the challenges we face are reducing "face -to-face" contacts with our donors as we provide Buddy Poppies to inspire their generosity; COVID -19 has impacted the efforts of the non-profits in so many ways, including our beloved Buddy Poppy program. We need to remember that this has potentially reduced our contributions to our Veterans and their families in need, as well as our children's home.

We remember that as charitable organizations' effectiveness is reduced, business reduced or closed, employment down, needs for assistance are increased. If necessary, please think out of the box to make our Buddy Poppy Program a success.

Armed Forces Day this year is May 15, Victoria Day is May 24, National Poppy Day is May 28, Memorial Day is May 31 2021. Additionally, please start thinking about how you and your Post will share and get the message out about our Buddy Poppy Program in our wonderful State of Washington.

At the upcoming 2021 Department Convention; we want to hear how you and your Post will put together a Buddy Poppy display.

I hope that you and your loved ones have remained safe and healthy during these unprecedented times. There are signs of hope as news of vaccines makes headlines, and we know that whatever comes next, we will be able to get through it together.

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