

## HOW TO CREATE A NEW MEMBER PACKET

## **Committee:**

Membership

## **Contact Information for Questions:**

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## **Step-by-Step Instructions:**

- Download the New Member Kit available on the national website: https://www.ALAforVeterans.org/Members/Membership/
- Personalize the New Member Kit with additions that are unique to your unit. Additions could include:
  - Welcome letter from your unit president
  - Membership card and pin (*Pin is optional*)
  - Unit Constitution and Bylaws
  - Unit budget A budget communicates a unit's values and priorities. A unit may use the budget to determine whether resources are being appropriately and beneficially used to achieve its stated mission and objectives. Essentially, the budget is a numerical representation of the Programs Action Plan for a specific time period. Make sure the budget is flexible to allow the unit to take advantage of unexpected opportunities. Identify the sources of the funds and their planned uses.
  - Unit roster A list of all of the current members, as well as a list of past officers, district, department and national information, and even local contact information for the press and city officials.
  - Latest newsletter (if applicable)
  - o Calendar of events including monthly meetings
- Other suggested items (available on the national website) include:
  - TAL Family Brochure
  - AEF Brochure
  - Scholarships Brochure
  - American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Brochure
  - Member Benefits Flyer
- Include an interest form (available in the Leadership Committee Programs Action Plan) for the new member to complete and return to the unit.