

**STATE COMMANDER REINOLD YAHNKA AND
STATE PRESIDENT DEBBIE SCHEETZ
ANNOUNCE 2025-26 VFW / AUXILIARY JOINT PROJECT**

State Commander Reinold Yahnka has announced that the Department VFW will join with the Department Auxiliary in promoting the State Auxiliary President's Special Project as the Joint VFW / Auxiliary project required by National for the 2025-26 year.

The State President's Special Project is to support the Blue Star Service Dog organization.



Blue Star Service Dogs is an organization that the Department VFW has endorsed for several years on our Resource webpage, but we have never done any targeted fundraising to support their programs.

Our Mission is simple: We Rescue One to Heal Another.

Blue Star Service Dogs rescues shelter dogs, trains them, pairs them with combat Veterans diagnosed with invisible wounds, and continues their training together to be Service Dogs. We support Veterans, their Families, and service dogs to achieve the transition from military to civilian life.

You may learn more about their program by going to their website:
www.bluestarservicedogs.org

Posts may donate to support the VFW / Auxiliary Joint Project by sending a donation to Department Headquarters earmarked for "Blue Star Service Dogs" or "VFW/Aux Joint Project". Posts may donate any amount towards this project however, Post donations of \$50 or more will give the Post 10 points towards their All-State Program.

Please join in this joint project effort to support this valuable Michigan resource that serves veterans and first responders.