



Children & Youth October Bulletin

This year the Department of Children Services is busy thinking of ways to help serve the needs of our military families as well as community children in CA.

Halloween Trunk or Treats are underway! Halloween coloring are available on the National website. These can be brought to schools in your area. Veterans Day is coming up, think of an opportunity that could allow you to promote what we do there as well.

Good deed awards and youth hero awards are a priority for National again this year. Please stay on the lookout for the amazing things youth in our community are constantly doing! We should keep an eye out in the news at social media to recognize these amazing children.

The national organization is also asking for all departments to help collect funds for the children welfare foundation. They are looking for \$1 per member. Hopefully we as a department can achieve this. The 'ask' is that each Unit donate what they can. Every dollar counts.

This Department Chairman is also asking each Unit/District to hold a baby shower. All items collected would be donated to a military base for expecting mothers or a local community center that needs assistance. Play baby shower games- make it a fun ALA get together!! Districts 18 & 21 are already deep in the planning stages are extremely excited!!

Secondly, every district should have received an invitation. We will be collecting baby items at DEC for our own baby shower. All items collected will be given to Department President Glenda to donate to a place of her choice on behalf of the department. We will have goodies for all that donate. Please help us welcome the children of CA into the world on a bright note.

Remember April is Purple Up month for military children.

I would love to hear about your events as you plan; and attend if available. Please continue to share your success and let's have a great year!!

Yours in service-

Maureen O'Brien-Sacco Department Children & Youth Chairman