



VA & R STARS!!!!!!



Happy New Year Everyone!!!!

Thank you to all units who sent in Mid-Year Reports. I received 21 reports and have submitted my report to our Southern Division Chairman, Patricia Harris and National Chairman Kathy Dungan. In reading all the reports our units are well on their way to having an outstanding year for the VA&R Program! Thank you all for what you are doing! From our larger units on down to the very small units great work is being done not only at the VA Hospitals, but for the veterans in our communities. Units & members have volunteered over 9,500 hours and spent approximately \$5000.00 so far this year. You have assisted over 3,000 veterans and their families and donated approximately \$18,018.00 worth of in-kind donations and this is just what has been reported. Can you imagine if everyone reported what these numbers would be???

Ladies, please remember the importance of keeping up with and reporting what you do.

Fair Share is coming along. As of December January 3 2017 we have collected \$11,488.50 towards our Fair Share. My goal is to reach is \$15,000. A total of 103 units have paid with 47 paying above and beyond their required amount. Thank you to all those who have paid. We do not have any goal districts or divisions as of yet. Division 13 in Division III only needs one more unit to pay to be goal! Division 1 is in the lead with 66% of units paying, followed by Division 2 & 3 both at 58%. Please encourage your unit to pay if they have not. This money is divided between the three VA Hospitals and our veterans depend on us.

In closing I would like to leave you with this thought: *No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.* – Aesop

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Mid-Winter Conference in Raleigh February 17^h-18th.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR VETERANS!!!!

Jammy Snider

VA & R Chairman 2016-17

