

SURGEON'S PROGRAM 2026-2027

The Surgeon's Program will run from April 1st, 2026 through March 31st, 2027

Post surgeons shall use the Post Surgeon report form to report to their respective District Surgeons

Post Surgeon report forms are available from the State Surgeon or may be downloaded from the Department Headquarters Web site (www.vfwks.org) under forms.

District Surgeons shall use the District Surgeon report form supplied by the State Surgeon. If a Post submits a blank report for credit, the District Surgeon will place "N/R" for that Post on their report submitted to the Department Surgeon. If a Post submits nothing at all, the District Surgeon will not indicate anything for that Post on their report to the Department Surgeon.

Post surgeons should send their reports to their respective District Surgeons by the 10th day of each month. District Surgeons should send their reports to the Department Surgeon by the 20th day of each month.

The Department Surgeon will send reports to Department Headquarters, District Commanders, and District Surgeons by the end of each month.

AWARDS

The 100% reporting Posts in each District will receive a certificate and monetary award**. The highest scoring District Surgeon in terms of reporting will be awarded the "Golden Stethoscope Award Plaque". The second highest scoring District Surgeon in terms of reporting will be awarded the "Silver Stethoscope Award Plaque". In the event of a tie, each District will be awarded the "Golden Stethoscope Award Plaque".

**** If a Post submits a blank report, they will be ineligible for a monetary award**

---No District can win Gold or Silver Stethoscope awards 2 years in a row---

Surgeons Program

"How To Submit Post Surgeon's Report"

Hospital Reports: Post Surgeons should submit their Surgeon reports to their respective District Surgeons by the 10th day of each month. District Surgeons should send their reports to the Department Surgeon by the 20th day of each month. If a District report is late, that District will score lower on the evaluation scale for awards. The Department Surgeon asks that all Post submit a monthly report to their District in a timely manner. If a Post has nothing to report, the Department Surgeon asks that you send a blank signed report to your District Surgeon for credit. All Posts with 100% reporting (12 monthly reports for the year) will be recognized at State Convention.

Update Dist. Surgeons (2025/2026)

District 1 Surgeon - Hans Hull - Hull340@gmail.com

District 2 Surgeon - Bob Teetsel - teetsel@gmail.com

District 3 Surgeon - Michael B. Holland - Michaelbholland47@gmail.com

District 4 Surgeon - Jon Gran - jon.gran67@gmail.com

District 5 Surgeon - Jacob Schluckebier - ksdist5surgeon@outlook.com

District 6 Surgeon - Jerry White - jwhite@ruraltel.net

District 7 Surgeon - Herb Schwartzkopf - qmadj@ksvfw.org

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HELPING HEROES

Helping Heroes is a statewide annual campaign sponsored by the Department of Kansas Veterans of Foreign Wars to assist Veterans with medical or quality of life needs.

All donations from Helping Heroes will go to Veterans in the VA hospitals in Topeka, Leavenworth and Wichita as well as the Soldiers Homes in Winfield and Ft. Dodge.

Please donate generously to those Heroes that have sacrificed so much for our country.

★ 2026-2027 GOAL ★

**COLLECT SOCKS,
UNDERWEAR AND
T-SHIRTS**



Preferred sizes:
SOCKS
9-12 and up



T-SHIRTS
Large-5X



UNDERWEAR
Large and up



**LAST DAY OF
COLLECTION IS
31 DECEMBER
2026**



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL VFW POST.

HOSPITAL EVALUATION SHEET

TO BE USED IN COMPILING ALL HOSPITAL REPORTS

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| 1. | BOOKS AND MAGAZINES | |
| | Books - pocket size (new) | purchase price |
| | Books - regular bound (new) | purchase price |
| | Books - pocket size (used) | \$.50 each |
| | Books - regular bound (used) | \$1.50 each |
| | Magazine subscriptions | purchase price |
| 2. | COMFORT ARTICLES | |
| | Cigarettes, razors, blades, shaving cream, etc | purchase price |
| 3. | FOOD - ALL HOMEMADE | |
| | Cakes | \$4.00 each |
| | Pies | \$2.50 each |
| | Cookies | \$2.25 dozen |
| | Cupcakes | \$3.00 dozen |
| | Candy | \$4.00 lb |
| | Jams & jellies | \$.20 oz. |
| | Meals serves to patients at VFW Days | \$3.50 person |
| 4. | SPECIAL GIFTS TO PATIENTS, WARDS OR HOSPITALS | |
| | Appliances, equipment, etc. | Purchase price |
| 5. | MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES | |
| | Playing cards (new) | purchase price |
| | Playing cards (used) | \$.50 deck |
| | Flowers (purchased) | purchase price |
| | Flowers (home grown) | \$2.00 bouquet |
| 6. | PRIZES OR OTHER GIFTS FOR PARTIES | purchase price |
| 7. | REFRESHMENTS FOR PARTIES | purchase price |
| 8. | ENTERTAINERS | |
| | Amateur | prevailing rate |
| | Professional | prevailing rate |
| 9. | MILEAGE TO AND FROM HOSPITAL | |
| | Mileage per person, regardless of number in car | \$.14 mile |
| 10. | DONATIONS | |
| | Blood donations to blood banks or direct
to veterans of VFW sponsored donors | \$150.00 pint |
| | To Department or District | Actual cash given |
| | To VFW Hospital Day | Actual cash given |

11. VISITS AND PARTIES - SPECIAL PROJECTS**\$36.14 hour****12. SEWING PROJECTS**

Bed soakers, jackets, pajamas, bathrobes, scuffies, lap robes, stump socks, crutch pads, chest binders, utility bed bags, commode cover, pan covers, laundry bags, wheelchair cushions, neck pillows, etc. (price of material only - no labor charged)

13. CLOTHES FOR REHAB WORK

Suit of clothes	\$25.00
Sport coat	\$15.00
Sport slacks	\$15.00
Shirts	\$ 2.00
Ties (new)	purchase price
Ties (used)	\$.50
Socks (new)	purchase price
Socks (used)	\$.25

14. HOBBY SHOP

Discarded clean nylon hose	\$.75 lb
Discarded clean cotton dresses	\$.50 lb

15. HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT

Hospital beds	\$80.00
Lift Chairs	\$80.00
Electric Carts	\$75.00
Wheelchairs	\$45.00
Commodes or Tables	\$25.00
Crutches or Walkers	\$20.00
Bed pan	\$15.00
Crowfoot Canes	\$15.00
Blood pressure Cuffs	\$ 5.00

NOTE: Check with local hospital equipment rental agency to obtain the dollar value rates if so desired.