

## Membership Message Points

The American Legion is the nation's **Largest** wartime Veterans Service Organization (VSO)

**2.4 Million Members and 14,000 Local Legion Posts**

Our American Legion Family is over 4 million strong and includes:



### In 2012-2013 The American Legion

- Donated 4 million hours of service to communities
- Held 1,200 Veteran Employment Events Nationwide
- Reduced VA Claims Backlog from 633,000 to 457,000!
- Raised 750,000 for Operation Comfort Warrior
- 7,000 volunteers 900,000 volunteer service to VA Medical facilities
- Contributes nearly \$33 million to children and youth programs
- Sponsored 2,477 Scouting units & serve over 64,000 youth
- Awarded more than \$4 million in college scholarships

### The American Legion supports ALL Veterans

- **Helped Establish:** GI Bill of Rights (education & home loans), The Department of Veteran's Affairs (VA), Vietnam Veterans Memorial
- **Supports Research:** Agent Orange, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) & other conditions
- **Americanism Committee Support:** The American Legion's Boys State program, High School Oratorical Competitions, Boy Scouting program, Flag education, Scholarship information
- **Benefit Claims:** American Legion Veteran Service officers help veterans with VA claims for benefits they earned

Today, as we have since 1919, The American Legion continues to serve on behalf of ALL veterans, their families and our communities.

### **Veterans – Still Serving America**

If you are a war time Veteran you may be eligible to join The American Legion.

The Veterans Crisis Line offers confidential support to Veterans 24/7. Call 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1.