

To: Department Leadership and Post Officers

Subject: The Importance of Consolidated Post Reports (CPRs)

Legionnaires,

As we move through another year of serving veterans, their families, and our communities, I want to stress the importance of completing and submitting your Consolidated Post Reports (CPRs).

CPRs are not simply another piece of paperwork required by National Headquarters. They are one of the most important tools we have as an organization. The information gathered through CPRs allows The American Legion to demonstrate our impact nationwide and provide real numbers to Congress, state leaders, and communities about the work our posts are doing every single day. Whether it is veteran assistance, youth programs, community service, Americanism activities, or support for military families, those numbers matter.

But the importance of CPRs goes far beyond the national level.

At the department level, CPRs help leadership identify the incredible work being done across our posts and recognize those posts that are actively making a difference in their communities. They tell the story of success, dedication, and service happening throughout our department.

More importantly, CPRs also help identify posts that may be struggling, inactive, or unsure of where to start. When reports are missing or show limited activity, it gives department leadership the opportunity to reach out, offer assistance, provide resources, and help those posts become more engaged and successful. The goal is not punishment or criticism — the goal is growth, mentorship, and strengthening our organization from the ground up.

A completed CPR gives us a clearer picture of where we are succeeding and where we need to focus our efforts. It helps us ensure that no post is left behind.

I encourage every post to take the time to complete and submit your CPR accurately and on time. The work you do matters, and your report helps ensure that work is seen, recognized, and supported.

Thank you for everything you continue to do in service to veterans, our communities, and The American Legion.

For God and Country,

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