

**Buddy”® Poppy / VFW National Home
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Buddy Poppy® Display Contest Winter Council of Administration

I hope you have started on those centerpieces for the Winter Council of Administration Voice of Democracy/Patriot’s Pen Banquet tables. Remember, I am asking that two “identical” centerpieces be created to be judged together. They must have at least one poppy in its original form and be no more than 6” x 6”. The theme is **patriotic** so let’s see that Red, White and Blue!

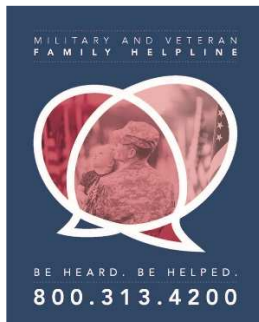
Start thinking about your ideas for the **June Convention Buddy Poppy®** Display contest. These displays will be judged in the following categories. I can’t wait to see all your wonderfully creative ways to promote the Buddy Poppy®.

- Public Promotion of Poppy Campaign
- Memorial or Inspirational Displays
- Artistic or Decorative Use of Poppies

Buddy Poppy Drives

Keep sending me those pictures of your Buddy Poppy Drives so I can share those with other Auxiliaries in our Department as well as the Department Historian. The weather will be warming up so if you have not already had your drive set the date and get one done in Spring.

National Home Helpline



- **1-800-313-4200**
- Put the number in your contacts in your phone
- Post it at your Post Home
- Promote on social media
- **Helpline NOT a Hotline**
- Staffed Monday – Friday
8:00 AM – 4:30 PM Eastern.

“Change for Children” Contest

Those jars should be getting full of the change you are gathering for your donations to the National Home. Remember, all donations must be sent to Department Treasurer Jackie Davis no later than May 1, 2022, in order to be eligible for the contest. Winner will be announced at the Department Convention in June in St. Louis. Any donations sent to Jackie Davis earmarked for the National Home will count towards your District’s total. A special gift will be given to the District President and Chairman along with the Auxiliary Chairman in the winning District.