

2021 MEMBERSHIP YEAR FIVE STAR INCENTIVE AWARDS



PLAQUE FOR 1ST PLACE IN EACH MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

Eligible Posts must have completed the County Commander's Inspection Report showing completion of the Consolidated Post Report, Certificate of Elections, Post Data Form, all required legal compliance items, and participation in at least one American Legion Program.

To compete for the Five Star Award, a Post must have paid in to the Department total membership in excess of 100% of their assigned membership goal by the convention membership cutoff date. The category winners will be determined by the Post having the highest percentage of paid membership over 100%. If necessary, ties will be determined by the date which the competing Post reaches the highest percentage first.

Categories for this award are as follows:

Posts of 15-150 members

Posts of 151-300 members

Posts of 301-500 members

Posts of 501-750 members

Posts of 751-1000 members

Posts of 1001 members or more

(TO BE AWARDED AT DEPARTMENT CONVENTION)

FIVE STAR POST \$1000 CASH AWARD

A Cash Award of \$1000 will also be awarded to the Five Star Posts.

FOUR STAR POST AWARDS

The second post in each membership category to attain membership in excess of 100% will be a “Four Star Post.” These posts will be entered into a drawing for \$1000 to be presented at the Department Convention.

THREE STAR POST AWARDS

The third post in each membership category to attain membership in excess of 100% will be a “Three Star Post.” These posts will be entered into a drawing for \$500 to be presented at the Department Convention.

POST RETENTION AWARD

A cash award of \$500 will be presented to the first five (5) Posts that reach 100% by January 4, 2021. To be eligible, a Post must retain 100% of their membership with all members from the previous year being renewed, excluding deceased and transferred members. (Members recorded at the 2020 June cutoff date renewed by January 4, 2021). (Post Everlasting and Transfers can be deducted if verified).

POST COMMANDERS OUTSTANDING CAP AWARD

Any Post Commander whose Post reaches 100% of the Department’s goal for their Post by January 4, 2021, will be eligible to receive an Outstanding Commanders Official Legion Cap at the Department Convention. The Post Commanders achieving 100% goal by January 4, 2021, may elect to give the Legion cap to another member of their Post and have Outstanding Membership embroidered on the cap to reward someone within the Post for excellence in recruiting or membership efforts.

FIVE STAR POST COMMANDERS' JACKET

An American Legion Jacket will also be awarded to Five Star Post Commanders achieving the highest percentage over 100% in each membership category (same category and criteria as stated for the Five Star Plaque Award).

CHALLENGE COIN

Recruit three (3) new members and Post Commander or Adjutant submits certification form entitles the Legionnaire to a challenge coin (limit one per individual and only while supply lasts). Coins will be presented by Department Officers at the earliest opportunity.

POST MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON

The Post Membership Chairperson – the individual most responsible for doing the work of membership within the Post – will receive a cap pin for making 100% by the 100% cut-off date for 2021.

MARCH 103rd ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL AWARD

All Posts that achieve 100% by March 15, 2021, the 103rd Anniversary of the American Legion, will be entered into a special drawing to win \$500. The drawing will be held at the May 2021 DEC Meeting.

DEPARTMENT RECRUITER BONUS

Members that recruit 15 new members by the March 15 American Legion 102nd Anniversary will be entered into a drawing for **\$250**. The drawing will be held at the May 2021 DEC Meeting.

POST GOAL BONUS AWARD

For all Posts achieving 100% in 2021 and retaining at least 93% of the Post's previous year membership, all new members received at Department from April 1 to June 30, will not count in calculating the Post Goal for membership in 2022. There is one stipulation. The goal

has to be one member more than the previous year, regardless of how many members have contributed to the increase.

POST 95% AWARD

All Posts that did **NOT** achieve 95% in 2020 will be eligible for an award if the post reached 95% for the 2021 membership year. These Posts achieving 95% or higher will be entered into a drawing in each membership category for \$500. All eligible Posts will receive a certificate recognizing achieving 95% or higher.

COUNTY/AREA COMMANDER AWARDS

COUNTY/AREA COMMANDER LEADER JACKET

County/Area Commanders who have the top County/Area in membership for 6 of 10 membership target dates will be awarded an American Legion Jacket signifying County/Area Membership Leader for the year. Jackets will be awarded at the Department Convention (or when received if after the Convention).

COUNTY/AREA COMMANDER \$150 CASH BONUS AWARD

The \$150 Cash Bonus Award will be presented to all County/Area Commanders who achieve 95% of their membership goal by January 31, 2021.

COUNTY/AREA COMMANDER \$300 CASH BONUS AWARD

County/Area Commanders that achieve the highest percentage over 100% of their target membership by the June Membership Cut-off will receive \$300 in the following categories:

Category 1: 1000 or less

Category 2: 1001-3000

Category 3: 3001-4000

Category 4: 4001 or More

Awards will be presented at the Department Convention

DISTRICT AND COUNTY AWARDS

An Award of \$500 will be presented to the District and County/Area that obtains the highest in membership over 100% by the June cut-off date.

DISTRICT COMMANDERS JACKET

An American Legion Jacket will be awarded to the District Commander who achieves the highest paid membership over 100% by the June Cut-Off Date.

DISTRICT COMMANDER 95% and 100% CASH AWARDS

All District Commanders who obtain 95% of their District Membership by April 2, 2021 will receive \$150 at Convention. All District Commanders who obtain 100% by the June Membership cut-off will receive \$300 at Convention.

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP LEADER

The District Commander who has the top District six of ten membership target dates will be awarded an American Legion Jacket. If the District Commander is also the winner of the highest percentage for the year, they will receive \$200 en lieu of a second jacket.