

# DAR Project Patriot

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The DAR Project Patriot Committee is the official Daughters of the American Revolution committee that supports America's service members and their families.

At the national level, DAR support is focused on active duty military service members and their families at five locations:

- ★ The Chaplain's Closet at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany
- ★ Walter Reed National Military Medical Center Bethesda, Maryland
- ★ The Warrior and Family Support Center in San Antonio, Texas
- ★ Camp Atterbury, Indiana, a Mobilization Training Center
- ★ Marine Corps Base Camp, Pendleton, California

At the State level, individual members and chapters are encouraged to support the men and women serving in uniform in any way appropriate.

Kansas has adopted the USS Topeka, a forward deployed Fast Attack Submarine stationed in Guam. This Submarine deploys 13 officers and 120 enlisted men with the average age being 22. Kansas Daughters along with the Family Readiness Group (FRG) has provided Welcome bags, Halfway Night Bags, and Single Sailor Bags for their return.

The Amazon Link to use if you wish to purchase enough of one item for these service members online and have sent directly to them is:

<https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/ls/ref=?ie=UTF8&%2A=1&%2Aentries%2A=0&lid=2X455EL0IA0TF&ty=wishlist>

At the local level, Chapter Activities could range from sending care packages to relatives of chapter members or supporting local Reserve/National Guard units and their families.

Chapters can collect coupons and send to military families overseas as they do not get these in their local papers. More information can be found at:

<http://www.grocersavingtips.com/p/military-family.html>

Chapters are encouraged to record their donations and special projects on the Chapter Master Report.

Individual and/or Chapter monetary donations support the work of the committee.

Please see the current needs list as well as contact information on the What You Can Do page on the DAR Project Patriot on the DAR National website.

### **Chapter Ideas:**

- ★ Fold Pocket Flags and Send to Deployed Military
- ★ Send Gift Cards for Families of Wounded Warriors at Military Hospitals
- ★ Thank you for your service cards to hand to active duty military
- ★ Provide a meal or basket for deployed military returning from deployment
- ★ Send care packages for deployed female service members
- ★ Send non-Christmas holiday themed boxes to military units (Halloween, St. Patrick's Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Thanksgiving, Easter, etc.)
- ★ Have members sign cards at meetings to send to service members
- ★ Adopt a unit and send monthly notes and goodies
- ★ Collect coloring books, crayons and stickers to send to wounded warriors' children
- ★ Hold a chapter Baby Shower to collect diapers and wipes for pregnant service women
- ★ Hold a free car wash for active duty military