







# STAFFORD AMERICAN LEGION POST 290 FOUNDATION, INC.

Thank you for taking time to learn about American Legion programs supported by and conducted by members of Stafford Post 290 in our community.

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veteran's organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. The American Legion and as such, Stafford Post 290 is committed to:

- devotion to military service members, veterans, and their families
- mentoring youth with focus on ideals that will develop citizens of the highest quality
- sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities
- advocating patriotism and honor
- promoting a strong national security

With these goals in mind, Stafford American Legion Post 290 Foundation, Inc. an IRS approved 501(c)3 organization, was incorporated to support the Post 290 family—Legionnaires, the Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion, and Legion Riders—in their efforts to conduct programs that support military veterans, encourage and recognize Stafford County students, and conduct numerous athletic and educational programs. We are devoted to delivering services and programs to benefit our community and are hard at work from replacing unserviceable American flags at Stafford County schools to providing upwards of \$25,000 in educational scholarships based on community service and academic achievement. A summary of programs is included for your review.

Your support is needed and would be greatly appreciated. Any financial support is welcomed and will be used wisely. While a 'use where best needed' is appreciated, we will honor requests to restrict a donation to a specific program. Furthermore, we are now offering our generous supporters an opportunity to purchase a 3' x 5' banner ad, which will be displayed at Stafford Post 290. Your banner ad will be viewed twice a week, year-round by hundreds of BINGO attendees. Your banner will get maximum exposure during baseball and softball season (spring through fall) when numerous teams frequent the Post 290 Sports Complex every week. This also includes the American Legion Jr Baseball State Championship, which is held at Post 290 in mid-summer. Additionally, there are many other events at the Post that will provide exposure to your banner. Supporters will have the option to provide their own 3' x 5' banner or have it custom designed and printed. Also, your logo will be posted on www.staffordpost290.org and the Stafford Post 290 Facebook page. The purchase of these banners is tax deductible. Thank you!

Respectfully,

BJ Payne Chair

PO Box 3151, Stafford, Virginia 22555

EIN: 82-0684448

The Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization supporting the American Legion's National Four Pillars of Service— Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth at the local Post level.

## **VETERAN SERVICES/PROGRAMS**

**Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) Program.** Cash grants to help veterans in need to meet the cost of shelter, food, utilities, and health expenses. Accredited American Legion service officers are trained to provide expert assistance, free of charge, to veterans and their families e.g. assisting in the application filing process for VA benefits, providing information and referrals to benefits, education, employment, business and financial assistance programs available through the American Legion.

**Memorial Day American Flag Project.** We remember our fallen comrades by placing more than 1,800 American flags on veteran gravesites at 46 Stafford County cemeteries.

Care packages for patients recovering at veteran hospitals.

**Memorial Day and Veterans Day Lunch.** Open to all veterans.

Replacement of unserviceable American flags.

## **CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAMS**

**Scholarships and Contests.** Recognition and assistance to deserving Stafford County students.

**American Legion Baseball.** A nationally known program that provides players an opportunity to develop their skills, personal fitness, leadership qualities and to have fun. Post 290 has historically fielded four baseball teams.

Post 290 Bombers. Post 290 is proud to sponsor a girls fast-pitch travel softball program for young ladies.

American Legion Boys State & American Legion Auxiliary Girls State. Among the most respected and selective educational programs of government instruction for high school students. A one-week intensive learning experience in the formation of state and local governments.

**Junior Shooting Sports.** Marksmanship competition & gun safety education (through the age of 18).

**Law Cadet.** A one-week program at the Virginia State Police Academy designed to recognize students of the junior class who are interested in a career in law enforcement.

**Oratorical Competition.** An opportunity for 9–12th grade students to develop public speaking skills and a deeper knowledge of the Constitution of the United States.

**Venture Crew.** An exciting experience to grow young people, develop leadership skills and become good citizens through rock and ice climbing, snowboarding, kayaking, back-packing, and mountaineering.

# **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Free Seasonal Events. Children's Halloween Party, Holiday Party, and Easter Egg Hunt

**Holiday Food Basket Program.** For more than seven decades, this program is one of the largest community outreach projects conducted by Post 290. It provides a holiday dinner and several more meals to more than 250 less fortunate families living in Stafford County. "Leftover" canned and dry food products are divided equally and donated to several Stafford community food banks.

## **COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AWARDS**

Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, Firefighter of the Year, Chaplain of the Year

# STAFFORD AMERICAN LEGION POST 290 FOUNDATION, INC. BANNER AD CONTRACT

Dat	te:
Co	mpany Name:
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Ad	dress:
Em	ail and Telephone:
	Donation to be "used were best needed"
	Restrict donation for specific program:
mo	<b>DONATION—(1)</b> 3' X 5' BANNER AD displayed at Stafford Post 290 (1141-1151 Mountain View Rd) for 12 calendary of the first day of the month following the delivery of your banner. <i>All banners, provided or custom-designed ome property of Stafford Post 290 Foundation, Inc. and will not be returned at the end of the contract.</i>
Ple	ase check the appropriate box:
	CUSTOM-DESIGNED BANNER. A 3' x 5' banner featuring your business logo and contact information. 10% of your donation will cover the cost of printing your banner. Please provide a high-quality logo: Vector artwork (.ai or .eps) is preferred. JPG artwork should be at least 300 ppi at the desired size. Please, no "screenshot" logos. Please contact Kathy a kpgd@mac.com with artwork questions or to email your logo.
	PROVIDE YOUR OWN BANNER. Must be a 3' x 5' banner with grommets delivered to the Post 290 Foundation. A Foundation representative will contact you about the delivery of your banner. 100% of support will be used by the Stafford Post 290 Foundation, Inc. in support of the Stafford Post 290 programs and services.
	ADD \$50 TO COVER PRINTING. A total donation \$550. 100% of support will be used by the Stafford Post 290 Foundation, Inc. in support of the Stafford Post 290 programs and services.
	BANNER RENEWAL. At the end of your contract year your banner will continue to be displayed for additional 12 months for a donation of \$400. 100% of support will be used by the Stafford Post 290 Foundation, Inc. in support of the Stafford Post 290 programs and services.
	NO BANNER. Any amount of support is greatly appreciated. I would like to donate \$ in support of the Stafford Post 290 programs and services. <i>Your company will be recognized as a supporter on www.staffordpost290.org and the Stafford Post 290 Facebook page.</i>
Ple	ase make your \$ check payable to: Stafford American Legion Post 290 Foundation, Inc.
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