

MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART

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Military Order of the Purple Heart U.S.A., Inc. National Headquarters 5413-B Backlick Road Springfield, VA 22151-3960

Subject: Military Order of the Purple Heart ROTC/JROTC/Youth Awards Program "Badge of Merit 1782" Award Program 2019-2020

Mission: 2019-2020 ROTC AWARD PROCEDURES

This year all Military Order of the Purple Heart ROTC/JROTC/Youth Awards will cost \$15.00. Departments will submit a request and payment to the National Headquarters for the total number of awards requested for 2019-2020.

Once the payment is received at HQ the department will receive a shipment of the awards, we can only afford to send out 1 shipment per department.

If a school contacts HQ we will send the information directly to the Department Commander or Designated representative, each department will be required to submit a report to the National ROTC Officer listing all Schools and Cadet.

Please contact National Adjutant Ernie Rivera <u>ernierivera@purpleheart.org</u> me should there be any questions.

Yours in Patriotism,

Felix Garcia III National Commander, of the Military Order of the Purple Heart U.S.A., Inc.



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Program Requirements:

Objective: To provide for an Award to be present to "military" and "non-military" organizations members who are not members of JROTC/ROTC Accredited Military Services High School Educational Programs To recognize individuals from other youth non-educational attached programs with recognition for their demonstrated Leadership roles within their organizations and communities

- 1. Awarded to a member of a "Youth" or "Military Based" Organization
- That does not qualify under the criteria for the JROTC Award Program
- Organizations Eligible o Civil Air Patrol o Navy Sea Cadets o Young Marines o Boy and Girl Scouts
- o Mid-School Pre-ROTC o Exceptions on a case by case approval

Badge of Merit Award Requirements:

- Recommended: One award presented per Organization per Year (Maximum 2)
- Previous Recipients ARE NOT eligible for the Award again
- Been member of organization for two (2) years or more
- Recommended Age Range: Pre-High School, Non-JROTC High School or Exceptions Case by Case

Meet the Leadership and Involvement requirements:

o For Meritorious Action, Extraordinary Fidelity and Outstanding Service to their Organization or Community o not in "Senior Leadership" position – "Program Leader or Company Commander" o Standout among "Peers" o will still be a member of the organization in upcoming years to be example of the qualification required and to demonstrate these abilities they demonstrated for the award **Award Description:**

- Award Shape is based on the "Badge of Military Merit" 1782
- Provided in Purple color box with "Military Order of the Purple Heart" inscription
- Certificate for Recipient of the "Badge of Merit 1782" Award

Two Awards Designs Available:

I appoint the following Patriots to the National Bylaws Committee for FY 2019-2020: