The AMVETS/BSA Leadership Award is designed to recognize AMVETS members who are actively engaged in the Scouting program in their local communities. Any AMVETS member who is a registered Scouter may apply, not only those affiliated with an AMVETS chartered Scout unit.

The award is available to any AMVETS member who fulfills the requirements for the award. Those requirements include training and a demonstrated dedication to the work required to expand the Scouting program within AMVETS. The award may be presented at the Post, Department or National level.

The award consists of a lapel pin that may be worn on AMVETS clothing or civilian wear, and a gold and purple square knot, which may be worn on the Scout uniform. A certificate and congratulatory letter, signed by the AMVETS National Commander, will also be provided as part of the award.
AMVETS/BSA Leadership Award Requirements

SERVICE
1. Be a current member of AMVETS
2. Be currently registered in a Scouting position at the Unit, District, Council, or National level; or as a Chartered Organization Representative (COR)

TRAINING
1. Be current in the appropriate Youth Protection Training: Cub/Boy Scout or Venturing/Ships
2. Complete the appropriate Leader Specific Training for one’s primary Scouting position

TENURE
Serve a minimum of three (3) consecutive years in a Scouting leadership position at the Unit, District, Council, or National level; or as a Chartered Organization Representative.

PERFORMANCE
1. Assist in organizing or reorganizing a Pack, Troop, Venturing Crew, or Sea Scout Ship chartered to an AMVETS Post or other chartering organization.
OR
1. Be an active leader in an existing unit chartered by an AMVETS post or other chartering partner and demonstrate the unit's growth and delivery of quality programs as evidenced by the Journey to Excellence.
2. Complete a minimum of two of the following:
   a. Assist one’s Post, District, or Department to raise funds to support Scouting or participate with a local BSA District or Council Friends of Scouting effort.
   b. Represent AMVETS at a BSA District, Council, or National Membership or Relationships committee.
   c. Promote the AMVETS Eagle Scout Certificate in your BSA District or Council.
   d. Promote AMVETS programs such as Americanism and AMVETS Against Drugs and Alcohol Abuse at Packs, Troops, Venturing Crews, and/or Sea Scout Ships in your District or Council through visits, Leaders’ Roundtables, or other means; document the results of the efforts.
   e. Recruit volunteers from one’s AMVETS Post, Department, or District to support a Scout activity such as a camporee, bicycle rodeo, merit badge workshop, pinewood derby, or other activities to promote AMVETS community services.

APPROVAL PROCESS
1. Complete the application.
2. Complete appropriate documentation to indicate fulfillment of the requirements:
   - Membership card
   - Copies of training course completion certificates
   - Narrative of accomplishments
3. Obtain the written endorsement from the Post Commander or appropriate AMVETS leadership and an appropriate officer of the Scouting organization benefiting from your service indicating that you have satisfied the requirements for the award.
4. Confirmation of receipt will be provided within 30 days.
5. Submit the completed application packet to AMVETS National Programs Department, 4647 Forbes Blvd., Lanham, MD 20706.

NOTE: Application packets that lack the appropriate documentation or written endorsements will be returned.
AMVETS/BSA Leadership Award Application

The individual named below is hereby nominated to

Name: _____________________________________________ Phone: _________________________

Address (Include City, State, & Zip): ______________________________________________________

Position(s): __________________________ Email: __________________________________________

AMVETS Post Number: ___________________ AMVETS Department: _________________________

BSA Council Name: _____________________ BSA Council Number: _________________________

PROVIDE PHOTO COPIES OF:

SERVICE:
☐ BSA Membership Card ☐ AMVETS Membership Card

TRAINING:
☐ BSA Leader Specific Training cards/certificates
☐ Current BSA Youth Protection Training Card

TENURE:
From ___________ (Date) to _____________ (Date)

PERFORMANCE:
☐ Unit Type and Number, and Chartered Organization Name _____________________________ of the Scout unit that I organized/reorganized or assisted with the process.

☐ Unit Type and Number and Chartered Organization Name _____________________________ that I assisted with growth and helped deliver quality programs as evidenced by the attached Journey to Excellence.

Identify the two (2) performance items you completed and provide a narrative for each. Please use additional paper as necessary and include your name on each sheet.

BSA Council Executive or Designee Endorsement:
I certify that the nominee has rendered distinguished and meritorious service to scouting.

Name (printed): __________________________ Phone No.: __________________________

BSA Phone Number: ______________________ BSA Email: __________________________

Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

AMVETS Post or Dept. Commander Approval:

Name (printed): __________________________ Phone No.: __________________________

Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Nominee’s Signature: ___________________ Date: __________________________