



THE NATIONAL COMMODORE OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

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FROM: NACO

SUBJECT: Am I a Member of CGAuxA, and Why Should I Care?

The following describes the relationship of the Coast Guard Auxiliary Association, Inc. (CGAuxA) and the Coast Guard Auxiliary in some key areas.

- Membership
 - We are all members of the CGAuxA as well as of the Auxiliary as provided in Section 5.M of the Auxiliary Manual.
 - The Auxiliary is led by the National Board subject to the governing policies established by the Commandant of the Coast Guard. The National Executive Committee is responsible for day-to-day operations of the Auxiliary as well as strategic and long-range planning.
 - The CGAuxA is a 501(c)(3) corporation authorized by the Commandant to manage all fiscal matters and fundraising efforts in support of Auxiliary activities not funded by the Coast Guard. Its Board of Directors governs it under the laws of the District of Columbia.

- Funding
 - The Coast Guard provides some of the funds to run the Auxiliary. A part of those funds is provided through Headquarters (BSX-1) while a part is provided through regional Directors of Auxiliary. These funds are not sufficient for all Auxiliary needs.
 - The balance of the funds to run the Auxiliary flows through CGAuxA in the form of member dues, grants, donations, sale of merchandise, sale of educational materials and royalties. Budgets are prepared by the CGAuxA Fiscal Committee and approved by its Board of Directors.

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- Benefits
 - The Association arranges with a number of commercial providers to make benefit programs available to members through affinity partnerships with significant savings for merchandise and services.
 - The Association publicizes member benefit opportunities and Auxiliary activities in the *Beacon*, which is emailed periodically to members. The direct link to the current issue of the *Beacon* is: <http://www.cgauxa.org/beacon/beacon.pdf>.

Future articles in the *Beacon* will provide details about CGAuxA and how benefits it negotiates for members can save you money.

Very respectfully,

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National Commodore



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