

## 'A Collaboration with Veterans'

## Illinois VFW Post raises \$800 from Domino's program

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A VFW Post that is based across the Mississippi River from St. Louis, Missouri, raised nearly \$800 after participating in a Domino's pizza fundraising initiative.

VFW Post 3480 Commander Valerie Young, a 10-year Army National Guard and Reserve veteran, said she was aware of the program after seeing an advertisement. She added that it was the first fundraiser of the Post's fiscal year.

Young – an Iraq War veteran who served with the Illinois Army National Guard in 2006 and 2008 – said she is always searching for businesses interested in a "collaboration with veterans."

"We are always looking for ways to gain financial stability for the Post" said Young, adding that the East St. Louis, Illinois, Post does not have its own building.

"It's hard for people to know that there is a VFW [in East St. Louis], because we don't have a building," Young said. "It has been a long process [to raise funds], but we have to do this the right way to stay out of debt."

The Domino's Slice the Price program is a fundraising initiative where participants sell cards that offer a "buy one large pizza, get one free" deal for \$20, with \$10 from each sale going to the participants.

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