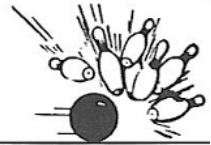




CALIFORNIA BOWLERS B V L FUND

Serving California Veterans



Welcome to the 2026-27 Bowling Season

Attention Association Managers:

Enclosed is information regarding BVL donations for our CA Veterans. **Please make a copy of this packet for your BVL Chairman and President.**

BVL Donations submitted by **MARCH 1** from Local Associations will be recognized for the 2026-27 season and will allow their finalists to be eligible to participate in the **2027 California USBC Helen Duval Veterans Tournament (BVL State Finals)**.

New this year is that the California USBC Helen Duval Veterans Tournament (BVL) will be held in two locations on the same day, **Saturday, March 27, 2027**. One location will be in the south and one will be in north. This will allow more associations to send bowlers each year. Each association will still be eligible to send their top male, female, boy and girl finalists – a maximum total of 4 bowlers. **All adult finalists must be current members of the local association they are representing.** Entry forms, fees and your BVL donation will be due **MARCH 1**.

Associations may decide how their representatives to the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament (BVL State Finals) will be determined. You may use league scores or hold a separate tournament to determine your local qualifiers – as long as the same rules apply to everyone and that the event is certified through USBC.

Youth bowlers in California will continue to be a part of the Fundraising as well as participating in the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament (BVL State Finals). **We will award a \$500 scholarship to each of the four youth champions.**

The California USBC will recognize the top three highest donations for the season at our annual meeting in May. Donations received after March 1 will still be accepted – associations just won't be able to send finalists to the tournament. If you have any questions, please contact us at (562) 449-4527 or email info@calusbc.com.

We will also be inviting local CA Veterans to participate in this event for fun. Help us to thank them! Also, thank you for your continued support. It will be a festive event for sure and we look forward to seeing everyone there. Visit us at CALUSBC.com to see past tournament results and donations figures.

Thanking you in advance,
California USBC

2025-26 BVL Donations

The Bowlers of California have proved yet again that **"WE ARE THE BEST"** when it comes to supporting our Veterans. Since 1950, with the strong support of our Local USBC Associations, the California BVL Fund has donated a total of **\$10,153,096.74** to our veterans. The committee **THANKS** all of you on behalf of the Veterans of California.

As you know, these funds are used to purchase recreational equipment, field trips, coffee, and office equipment for use by the veterans, and to help with social events and special outings. The California BVL Fund has been recognized in the past by the National BVL Organization for making the largest donation by a State Association at the USBC Convention. We know none of this would be possible without your continued dedication, resourcefulness, hard work and again, **We Thank You**.

We are again asking for your continued support and assistance in helping our veterans return to the way of life they left. We urge you to remember the BVL Creed, as follows:

"For the good things of life at hand for millions of us, thousands gave their lives. In our service and Veterans Administration Hospitals are other thousands who escaped death fighting with the same spirit for the same cause. Our debt to them is profound. The least they might expect is that all of us accomplish everything within our means to restore them to normal existences."

The bowlers of California have kept the promise made to our Veterans in 1950, **"We won't forget you"**.

Amounts collected and payment distributions can be viewed online at **CALUSBC.com**. Awards will be provided to the top three local associations that donate the highest amounts. **Awards for those donations will be presented at the California USBC Convention on Saturday, June 12, 2027 in Sacramento.** Visit **CALUSBC.com** for convention location.



BVL Dangle Lapel Pins will be available for purchase for \$5.00 each at the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament



BVL bowling ball raffle will be held at the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament

**We donated \$111,772.54 to BVL
for the 2025-26 Season.**

Thank You for all YOU DO for our California Veterans!



CALIFORNIA USBC HELEN DUVAL VETERANS TOURNAMENT (BVL STATE FINALS)

Saturday, March 27, 2027

10:00am

(Check in at 9:00am)

\$25 Entry Fee



FOOTHILLS BOWL

13489 Bowman Road
Auburn, CA 95603
(530) 885 7518

HARLEYS VALLEY BOWL

5255 Cochran St
Simi Valley, CA 93063
(805) 584-2695

Mail BVL DONATIONS, ENTRY FORMS and ENTRY FEES

by MARCH 1 to:

CALIFORNIA BVL

3673 Industry Ave #102
Lakewood, CA 90712

Associations may decide how their representatives to the BVL Tournament will be determined. You may use league scores or hold a separate tournament to determine your local qualifiers – as long as the same rules apply to everyone and that the event is certified through USBC. **Each association is eligible to send your top male, female, boy and girl finalists – a maximum total of 4 bowlers. The State Finals format is a singles handicapped event. All adult finalists must be current members of the local association that they are representing.**

The four champions in each category and location (male, female, boy and girl) will receive a BVL medal and a custom BVL jersey from **Strike12Creations.com**. The four youth champions will each receive a \$500 scholarship held with USBC SMART.

All BVL donations, entry forms and fees must be postmarked by **MARCH 1**.

2026-27 LOCAL ASSOCIATION DIVISION WINNERS STATE BVL ENTRY FORM

Send completed form by **MARCH 1 to:**

California BVL

3673 Industry Ave #102

Lakewood, CA 90712

Email: info@calusbc.com • (562) 449-4527

Local USBC Association: _____

BVL Committee Chairman: _____

Cell Number: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

**Saturday,
March 27, 2027
10:00am**
(Check in at 9am)

LOCATION SELECTION:

- ☐ FOOTHILLS BOWL
☐ HARLEYS VALLEY BOWL

ENTRY CHECKLIST:

- ☐ **BOWL.COM PROFILES FOR EACH BOWLER** – **Adults must be current members of the association they are representing.**
- ☐ **LEAGUE SHEETS** dated as of **FEBRUARY 27 FOR YOUTH BOWLERS** – If the bowler bowls in more than one league, all league sheets must be provided. If sheets are not provided, they will bowl scratch.
- ☐ **ENTRY FEES – ONE PAYMENT ONLY:** Check payable to: CUSBC / Venmo: @calusbcbowling2 / Zelle: lynn.matsubara@calusbc.com. If sending electronic payments, please email this form and put association name and “BVL donation” in the payment notes.

LIST THE NAMES OF THE FOUR BOWLERS WHO WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE HELEN DUVAL VETERANS TOURNAMENT (BVL STATE FINALS) BELOW.

STATE FINALISTS		CURRENT USBC	Highest USBC Avg (Rule #7)		Entry Fee
Div	Name	Membership #	2025-26	As of 2/27	\$25 pp
Male					\$
Female					\$
Boy					\$
Girl					\$
TOTAL					\$

League sheets dated as of Feb 27 required for youth averages.

2027 CALIFORNIA USBC HELEN DUVAL VETERANS TOURNAMENT (BVL STATE FINALS)

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HARLEYS VALLEY BOWL
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Simi Valley, CA 93063
(805) 584-2695

Saturday, March 27, 2027 at 10:00am
(Check-in at 9:00am)

1. A donation must be received from local associations by **MARCH 1** in order for finalists to be eligible to participate in the California USBC Helen Duval Veterans Tournament.
 2. **Adult BVL finalists must be current members of the local association they are representing. PLEASE PROVIDE BOWL.COM PRINTOUTS WITH ENTRY FORM.**
 3. There must be a rule regarding tie scores in determining the BVL representative from local associations. Only one entrant per category (men, women, boys, girls) can attend the State Finals per local association.
 4. **Format:** Three games bowled on the same pair of lanes. Total pins + applicable handicap in each category will determine the champions.
 5. **Handicap:** 90% of 210
 6. **Entry fee:** \$25 per person (\$18.00 lineage + \$7.00 awards/expenses). One payment only per association. Make checks payable to CUSBC. Payment can also be sent with Zelle to lynn.matsubara@calusbc.com or Venmo: @calusbcbowling2. If sending electronic payments, please email the entry form and put association name and "BVL donation" in payment notes.
 7. **Adult Averages:**
 - a. Highest USBC certified 2025-26 average (minimum of 21 games). If none,
 - b. Highest USBC certified **CURRENT** league average as of **MARCH 20, 2027** (league sheets required; min. of 21 games). If none,
 - c. Scratch
- Youth Averages – LEAGUE SHEETS REQUIRED**
- a. Highest USBC certified league average as of **FEBRUARY 27, 2027** (minimum of 15 games). If none,
 - b. Highest USBC certified **CURRENT** league average as of **MARCH 20, 2027** (minimum of 15 games). If none,
 - c. Scratch
- Bowlers are responsible for verifying their own average. If a "sport/challenge" average is the bowler's only verifiable average, it must be marked with "SP/CH" and will be adjusted per the USBC sport chart. Rules 319a2 and 319d will be waived. Rule 319c will be applied for current averages that are 20+ pins higher than last year's book. If the assigned average is not accepted by the bowler, an alternate can be submitted. Bowlers on the USBC re-rate list must report the re-adjusted average or be subject to disqualification.
8. Bowlers must check in one hour prior to the scheduled squad time with current USBC membership card or bowl.com printout.
 9. Replacements must be processed at least 45 minutes prior to the squad time.
 10. **Prizes/Scholarships:** Strike12Creations.com jerseys and BVL medals will be awarded to each Champion. Scholarships will be awarded to the four youth champions and will be held with USBC SMART Account #10717, (800) 514-2695 x3343.
 11. **Dress code:** Dress appropriately for a tournament. All shirts must have sleeves. NO halter tops or short shorts of any kind allowed. Tournament management shall determine the validity of any complaints.
 12. **ONLY A DRY TOWEL FOR CLEANING MAY BE ONCE COMPETITION BEGINS. No surface changes once competition begins. ELIMINATION OF BALANCE HOLES:** Bowlers may have up to five holes for gripping purposes and all holes must be used on every delivery. If only fingers are used, the thumb hole must be plugged and an "X" marked for the palm position. Any bowling ball that does not meet USBC specifications will subject the bowler to disqualification of all tournament scores. We reserve the option to do random spot checks and we may be reported to check equipment by another bowler. **Visit BOWL.com to download the Non-conforming Bowling Ball List.**
 13. This tournament will be certified by USBC. The tournament director shall be the authority to interpret USBC and tournament rules, policies and procedures in deciding disputes. If deemed necessary, the tournament director shall consult with the board of directors of the GLAC USBC.



CALIFORNIA USBC BVL DONATION FORM

*The bowlers of California have kept the promise made to our Veterans in 1950,
"We won't forget you".*

Thank you for your support to BVL and our California Veterans.

LOCAL ASSOCIATION _____

BVL CHAIRMAN _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE _____ ☐ DONATION ONLY – NO FINALISTS FOR THE TOURN.

Donations and BVL Finalists paperwork submitted by **MARCH 1** will be recognized for the 2026-27 season and allows the Local Association to send their finalists to the Helen Duval Veterans Tournament (BVL State Finals) on March 27, 2027. **Please make checks payable to: CUSBC.** We can also accept payment with Zelle to: **lynn.matsubara@calusbc.com** or Venmo: **@calusbcbowling2**. If sending electronic payments, please email form and put association name and "BVL donation" in payment notes.

AMOUNT OF DONATION \$ _____

CHECK # _____ ☐ Zelle (Date: _____)

Mail this form and donation check to:

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