



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AUXILIARY  
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It's important for each and every member to understand the influence they can exert over the public servants and decision makers in both their state legislature and in Washington, D.C. Every member has the opportunity to participate in improving the lives of those who have served this nation by using their voice through the Legislative Program to make a difference.

Members and Auxiliaries can involve their communities in this program by working to publicize specific issues. By writing a letter to your local paper outlining your position and asking for the public to help by contacting their legislators, you can encourage others to participate in support for veterans.

By setting up a booth at local or statewide fair or event where the public will be, you can provide information on veterans' issues and the VFW Priority Goals and ask if they are willing to sign a petition (or two) that encourages legislators to take action on a particular issue or concern.

You could also introduce the "I Vote in Honor of a Veteran". The VFW Auxiliary "I Vote in Honor of a Veteran" initiative provides both VFW and VFW Auxiliary members the opportunity to pay tribute to those who serve and have served this country by exercising the right to vote in local, state and federal elections. Honor your veteran; wear this sticker with the name of the veteran you vote in honor of. It's a visual reminder to you – and everyone who sees the sticker – why voting matters! Templates can be found at [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org) on MALTA under Program & Publicity Resources. Scroll down and under Legislative you will find the templates. *(To print, use Avery 5163 Labels or equivalent.)*



Everything we advocate for on behalf of our veterans and active-duty military is tied to the legislative process. The needs of VA medical facilities, veterans and family support, and others are connected to federal funding, which is all linked to our legislators and their willingness to financially support the needs of those who served our nation.

Most of all, show your enthusiasm about the Legislative program and it will become contagious! **"Believe...We Can Do It" "Reaching for the Stars for Veterans"**

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