



Legislative Program

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Romona (Marie) Brandon and I am proud to have been selected as Legislative Chairperson 2022 – 2023. I'm looking forward to working with all the Auxiliaries for the ensuing year.

I would like to focus on the following ideas:

- **Building Relationships with political and civic organizations geared toward young adults.**
Reaching out to organizations of college-aged voters is useful because there is strength in numbers.
- **Ensuring that legislative activities are nonpartisan**
No Auxiliary should show favoritism towards a candidate, party or issues not endorsed by the VFW.
- **Getting creative**
Reach out, introduce yourself, and figure out ways you can help each other.

“Promoting VFW Priority Goal”

The Priority Goals reflect the resolutions passed by the VFW to strengthen and ensure an adequate VA system for millions of current and future veterans.

We need to continue calling and emailing our Representative because we still need to keep our legislators engaged and hold them accountable on Veteran's issues.

Bobbie Goldman (Legislative Ambassador) said” **Let our elected leaders know that taking care of our Veterans is our honor but it's their responsibility!”**

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To access the Legislative Program, sign into your MALTA account. Click on “Resources” and it will direct you to the VFW Auxiliary page. Click on “What We Do” and scroll to “Legislative.”

Please submit reports by email with documentation, pictures, number of volunteers and participants with your reports. Explanations and descriptions are requested.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

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Legislative Report Form

Auxiliary _____

Group Number _____

District _____

Chairman's Phone Number _____

Chairman or Person Submitting

Number of Volunteers _____ Total Hours _____ Mileage _____

Total Money Spent _____

1. Were the VFW Priority Goals promoted? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, how were they promoted?

2. Did your Auxiliary encourage members to communicate with legislators on Veterans' issues? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, how?

3. For this report only, how many members contacted legislators on Veterans' issues?
Personal: _____ E-Mails: _____ Social Media: _____ Letters/Post Cards: _____
*Proof must be submitted e.g. pictures, e-mails.

4. Number of members that voted in an election. _____
5. Number of members who promoted "Vote in Honor of a Veteran" initiative. _____
6. Number of members who attended events such as Town Hall Meetings, Meet and Greet, Rally or Legislative Conferences. _____
7. Were tools outlined in the "Guide to Contacting your Legislators?" Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, how were they implemented?

8. How many new members for this report joined Action Corp Weekly? _____

Explanations and Descriptions requested. Use extra pages if necessary.

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