



Legislative Chairman

My Name is Raina K Bryant. I am the Legislative Chairperson for South Carolina for the year 2024-2025. This is my First year as Chairman for the Department and I am looking forward to having a great year. Lifetime member for 6 years. I am the Sr. Vice President this year and the Jr. Vice President for District 2. I love to plan events for the Veterans and the community to come and enjoy their time. I love the socialization this organization provides. It is always the best time when you get to talk to veterans and their families. It always puts a smile on my face. I believe that this year is going to be a busy one for the Legislative Program as we prepare for the Presidential election in November 2024. I believe this year will be a great one for South Carolina.

ALL VFW Auxiliary programs support and relate to the Priority Goals in one way or another. If we understand the Importance of the Legislative Program, then our efforts to advocate for our veterans become that much more effective and our voices will be heard.

One of the main objectives of the Legislative program is to improve the lives of our veterans, service members and their families thru advocacy.

Action Corp.

This is a great way to help get bills passed in congress that will help our veterans. So please make sure you are signed up to receive the emails and please respond and sign. When you get a response. You can write a report.

While it is imperative that we continue to monitor pending legislation in congress, we must not forget that local government and laws also impact the quality of life for our veterans.

There are some things that can make us better advocates and improve our advocacy efforts:

- Become familiar with the VFW Priority Goals- then share during meeting and even newsletters.
- Know where elected officials stand on Veterans issues- then be prepared to draft letters.
- Sign up for VFW Action Corps weekly - then get others to sign up.
- Respond to the Alerts
- Get involved in Town Hall meetings and get others to go with you as well.
- BE sure to Vote in all Elections.
- DO NOT endorse any candidate on behalf of the VFW Auxiliary- We must remain neutral.
- DO NOT wear any VFW Auxiliary Attire when campaigning for a candidate.

This year is a good year for legislation as it's an Election year. When you go to the Voting polls, take a pic and send it to your post chairman.

Awards for the year. (These come from National)

Auxiliaries:

Most outstanding activity and/or event collaborating with the VFW Post connecting members with Local lawmakers.

Departments:

1. Best promotion of ensuring elected officials is educated on the importance of VFW legislative goals and veterans rights.

Questions call, email, or text me.

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