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Hope all are doing well. Thanks to all the auxiliaries who have sent in reports. **REMEMBER TO SEND ALL YOUR HOURS, MILES, MONEY SPENT ON LEGISLATIVE PROJECTS TO YOUR LOCAL VFW POST SO THEY CAN POST YOUR HARD WORK ON THEIR REPORT TO DEPARTMENT. USE THE FORM PRESIDENT DEBBIE GAVE TO YOU.**

POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

- If asked to endorse a political candidate, explain that the VFW Auxiliary prohibits such an endorsement. Do not allow your VFW Auxiliary to appear to support or endorse an individual candidate.
- Host or attend town hall meetings. Encourage your members to attend with you and to participate.
- Develop intelligent questions for candidates during election campaigns or during discussion of legislative issues, to address the issues our membership supports. (Read the VFW Priority Goals)

Check out the **VFW WEBSITE**

- www.vfw.org – a great place to see and understand the organization's priority legislation.
- **Select the Advocacy button then select Legislative Priorities**
- VFW Legislative Priorities
- VFW Priority Goals (these were handed out at the Training Academies)
 - Released and published each January
- VFW Voter Voice
- VFW Fact Sheet (these were handed out at the Training Academies)

GET EVERYONE INVOLVED

- Auxiliary Legislative Chairmen try to present a report at each meeting.
- Make sure all members are registered to vote, then follow through and vote.
(Remember to report)
- Chairmen be prepared and available to answer members' questions regarding legislation affecting men and women veterans, service members and their families.
- Chairmen study and be knowledgeable regarding local, state and national legislation.
- Keep in contact with your Department Legislation Chairmen Ask questions.

Have fun with this program and remember we are here to help Veterans And Their Families.

Take care. REPORT, REPORT, REPORT.