

**VFW AUXILIARY
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We are starting off this year with a primary election, and as you read this, I hope all of you exercised your constitutional right to vote in the primary election. Upcoming in November will be our national general election and hopefully you will vote and let your voice be heard for those legislators who are advocating for care and benefits for our Veterans. Part of the reporting for this year, is the number of contacts you make to your legislators concerning our Veterans. As members of the VFW Auxiliary we must be advocates for the legislation that is being considered on Capitol Hill.

In order to be informed on the issues, know the VFW Priority Goals. If you are not signed up for the VFW Action Corps Weekly, do so, as it is a good way to keep up on what is going on in Washington D.C. with Veterans legislation. Once your e-mail has been registered on the VFW web-site you will receive a weekly update on the bills and action being taken on Capitol Hill. This also will allow you to receive Action Alerts to contact your legislators to act on a bill that will benefit our Veterans, military and their families. One such action alert was to contact your legislators on the passing of *H.R. 8371 The Senator Elizabeth Dole 21st Century Veterans Healthcare and Benefits Improvement Act*. Along with getting Veterans the much needed care they need at VA facilities, or local medical facilities in a timely manner, it also offers help for caregivers who care for these Veterans.

So let's be engaged to let our legislators know what is best for our Veterans, military and their families. Attend those town hall meetings and understand what and whom the candidates are standing for and then vote for legislators who are willing to fight for our Veterans rights. But above all else **VOTE!!**

BE AN ADVOCATE, BE INFORMED AND BE ENGAGED.

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