VFW Involvement in Elections and Political Activities

VFW members are encouraged to get involved in Congressional and Presidential elections. Hold voter registration drives, Town Hall meetings and other events featuring candidates for public office. We view it as a positive and it show veterans to be a strong voting bloc and a constituency that most candidates want on their side.

As we approach the mid-term election cycle and the upcoming Presidential campaign season, here are a few items to keep mind as you get involved and attend and host candidate functions and Town Hall meetings.

DO’s

• Do attend candidate Town Hall Meetings and other events and push our issues.

• Do set up voter registration drives /Get Out the Vote Campaigns on the local level.

• Do provide carpool service on Election Day to help the elderly and disabled get to the voting booth.

• Do support and work for your favorite candidates as a voting constituent. As an individual and VFW member you can work or campaign on behalf of your favorite candidate - and are encouraged to do so.

• Do wear your VFW cap.

DON’Ts

• Don’t endorse candidates on behalf of the VFW as a Post, District, Department or National Leader.

It does not matter which candidates you support as long as they know you are a VFW member and concerned about your fellow veterans, our military personnel and their families. The key is to stay informed on the issues and use your influence to urge new candidates and those up for reelection to support the VFW and veterans issues.

VFW members can make a difference in any election by getting involved in the political process. For more information, use the attached link to the Veterans’ Vote” A How to Guide to Getting Involved in the Election Process.”

http://www.vfw.org/uploadedFiles/VFW.org/VFW_in_DC/Veterans%20Vote%20brochure.pdf