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Getting Involved

Some people may not contact their elected officials because they wonder whether it makes a difference or whether officials will listen. Many think it is difficult to contact their national legislators, so the best they can do is vote on election day.

This is not the case for American Legion Family members. The American Legion has made it as easy as a few clicks to send messages to your representatives and senators through **VoterVoice.**

We need to get the word out and promote the use of VoterVoice. The American Legion has researched issues affecting veterans. They put out information about the issues and have a prewritten letter ready for you to send. Once you enter your address, they will have the contact information for your representatives and senators.

How can we, as ALA members, spread the word and promote VoterVoice?

1. Sign up for the Grassroots emails. They come out weekly. They will also send updates when action is needed.

2. Talk - talk about and remind members at all meetings. Encourage your District and Unit Legislative Chair to share information.
    a. Encourage your department officers to mention the website
    b. Have members take out their phones, go to the website, send a message, and see how easy it is.

3. Remind members in emails, newsletters, and any other way you can.

4. Share the Department tallies with members and see where your state falls.

How to get started receiving Alerts

- Navigate to the following website:

https://www.votervoice.net/AmericanLegion/home

- Click on the link and sign up for Alerts.
- Fill in the information requested.

How to send Legislators messages through VoterVoice

On the Grassroots Action Center website:

- Scroll down and click on one of the bills
- Fill in your information
- (You must give your address so they can confirm your legislators)
- Click send
- Repeat with other options you choose

Use this link for more information on The American Legion's Legislative Agenda and Priorities:

www.legion.org/advocacy/legislative/legislative-agenda-point-papers

"Government of the people, by the people, for the people."

Abraham Lincoln, Gettysburg Address

"We are the people, and we need to do our civic duty and be involved."

Submitted by Sonia Wiley, National Vice-Chair

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We held our Q1 Zoom on October 14, 2027, with representatives from over 40 departments. Great job, and thank you for joining us. Below are some highlights from the divisions.

- Several departments reported holding events where they meet with their state legislators to discuss bills impacting Veterans and active-duty military. This is a great way to engage with policymakers.
- Numerous departments shared that their members are actively using Grassroots Action Center to reach out to their DC legislators about The American Legion's legislative priorities. Several reported holding competitions for the most members signed up. Others reported creating business card templates with the QR code on them. One great idea was having members sign up on their phones by using the QR code.
- One department chair actively works with state legislators on key veteran-related issues. Another department chair provided a contact list of incoming legislators. A unique idea is to keep a spreadsheet tracking the progress of legislative bills, including hearing dates.
- One department shared that it holds town hall meetings during its Midwinter conference, so members can meet directly with their state legislators.
- A great idea was to pair up with the Community Service chair and another organization to teach students about the voting process and provide an opportunity to participate in a mock election.

SAVE THE DATES

December 1, 2026 – Legislative Webinar – Register soon via Cvent

Q2 Zoom - January 26, 2027, at 7:00 PM ET
Q3 Zoom - April 27, 2027, at 7:00 PM ET

February 27-March 3, 2027 - Washington, DC Conference

2026-2027 Mission Training and National Junior Meetings

November 14, 2026 –Omaha, NE*
January 30, 2027– Albany, NY* & Springfield, IL
February 6, 2027 – Atlanta, GA & Las Vegas, NV*

ALA Mission Training & National Junior Meetings

*Events will be held with The American Legion National Information Conference and the SAL Regional Meetings.

Register at: https://www.legion- aux.org/Meetings/Mission-Train



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