



Michigan Department VFW Auxiliary
Legislative – February/March 2026
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National Theme: *From Sea to Shining Sea Honoring Veterans Who Keep Us Free*
Department Theme: *We Don't Know Them All, But We Owe Them All*

Happy February and March

Let us make the most of these months when it comes to creating a Thank You Note Event with your Auxiliary to provide Thank you's to our Veterans while inserting the QR codes for Action Corps Week and/or the QR code for the VFW Priority goals. They have just revised them if you'd like to give them a look they can be found here:

<https://www.vfw.org/advocacy/national-legislative-service>

This is a great time to think about what kind of Thank you card event you'd like to hold. Valentines are a sure way to share the love and gratitude we have for our Veterans. It will let them know they are not forgotten and we and the VFW are still fighting for them on Capitol Hill. This is a reminder of our National and Department award: NATIONAL AWARDS FOR AUXILIARIES

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event to create thank-you notes and cards to veterans that include links to VFW Action Corps Weekly and/or the VFW Priority Goals.

• Citation and \$25 to one VFW Auxiliary in each of the 10 Program Divisions with the most outstanding activity and or event to create thank-you notes and cards to veterans that include links to VFW Action Corps. Weekly and/or the VFW Priority Goals. Entry form required and available on MALTA Member Resources. VFW Auxiliaries must send the required entry form to their Department Legislative Chairman **by March 30, 2026**, for judging. Citations will be mailed directly to the winning VFW Auxiliaries from National Headquarters and money will be deposited into the winning VFW Auxiliary account after the 2026 VFW Auxiliary National Convention.

Also we can share with still active military to let them know what our Organizations are doing to ensure their voices are heard also for when they are no longer serving. The VFW will stand for them. You do not have to be a veteran to sign up for the VFW Action Corps. Weekly you just need to be a person who cares about Veterans. Speaking of Action Corps Weekly lets make sure we are clicking on the links in the email when they arrive in our inbox.

Now as some of you might be aware we have an opportunity to share our stories to help legislators understand how the actions or inactions are not only affecting Veterans, but also us, their families.

Please take the time and opportunity to share your stories about any of the following topics and how they have affected you:

- VA Health care Access/Delays
- Community Care
- Toxic Exposure (Agent Orange, Burn Pits, Camp Lejeune, etc.)
- Concurrent Receipt (Major Richard Star Act)
- Women Veterans' Health
- VA Benefits
- VA Disability Claims/Appeals Process
- VA Education/GI Bill
- Employment
- Transition
- Mental Health & Suicide Prevention
- Homelessness & Housing Assistance
- Military Readiness
- Military Retirees
- Food Insecurity/Hunger Among Military Families
- Child care & Family Support
- Survivors Benefits (DIC) & Gold Star Families
- Burial and Memorial Benefits
- Caregiver & Family Support

VFW Voices of Service

Stories in Action



The VFW is gathering real stories from veterans and military families. These experiences help show how decisions made in Washington affect real lives.

Scan the QR code to share your story.



Share Your Story. Shape the Future.

If you have any questions about your guidesheet or about the Thank you events please reach out. I would be happy to hear from you.

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