

2013 FVAP Voting Action Plan

Important Dates for Voting Assistance Officers

JANUARY 2	Order Supplies	New Voting Assistance Guides, FPCAs, FWABs, brochures and motivational posters are available through GSA. This is an ongoing task for all VAOs. Order your forms through proper channels; http://www.fvap.gov/vao/order.html
JANUARY 15	Distribute FPCAs to UOCAVA voters	Deadline for VAOs to distribute FPCAs to all UOCAVA voters and encourage them to complete and submit to their local election official to apply to register or to request an absentee ballot for all elections in 2012.
JANUARY 15	Measures of Effect and Performance	Deadline for SVAOs to submit metrics to FVAP. VAOs and Installation Voting Assistance Office staff should submit metrics in the format and by the deadline requested by their SVAO.
FEBRUARY 5	Super Bowl Challenge	FVAP will be airing public service announcements during the Super Bowl on AFN. Host a voter registration drive or hang voting posters around your base Super Bowl Party. Send photos to FVAP.
APRIL 15	Measures of Effect and Performance	Deadline for SVAOs to submit metrics to FVAP. VAOs and Installation Voting Assistance Office staff should submit metrics in the format and by the deadline requested by their SVAO.
JULY 15	Measures of Effect and Performance	Deadline for SVAOs to submit metrics to FVAP. VAOs and Installation Voting Assistance Office staff should submit metrics in the format and by the deadline requested by their SVAO.
OCTOBER 15	Measures of Effect and Performance	Deadline for SVAOs to submit metrics to FVAP. VAOs and Installation Voting Assistance Office staff should submit metrics in the format and by the deadline requested by their SVAO.

Ongoing Tasks		
Directory Information	The Major Command and Installation Voting Assistance Officers must maintain a directory of all local unit VAOs containing names, email addresses and office telephone numbers. This directory must be updated at least quarterly.	
Website Information	Provide the name, mailing address, e-mail and office telephone number of Installation Voting Assistance Office and Installation Voting Assistance Officers on the installation website.	
Public Affairs	VAOs must work with PAO to publicize primary elections and inform military personnel and their family members of their right to vote. Voting outreach efforts should be incorporated into military and family appreciation events such as air shows and open houses.	



Training	Voting Assistance Officers must attend a training workshop or complete online training prior to assuming the duties as the VAO. More information regarding in person and online training can be found at http://www.fvap.gov/vao/training.html .
Voter Support	VAOs should make time in their schedules to help voters fill out Federal Postcard Applications or use the online wizards. With unit members voting in different States, voter support must remain an ongoing task.
News Releases Sign up for the FVAP listserv to receive election news. You can sign u emailing vote@fvap.gov or by visiting www.fvap.gov.	

VAOs should consult their service guidance for additional information on service-specific voting activities.

Key FVAP Resources for VAOs			
Website	FVAP.gov	Up-to-date Voting Assistance Guide and FPCA and	
		FWAB online assistants	
Email	vote@fvap.gov	Email FVAP with voting assistance questions	
Telephone	1-800-438-VOTE (8683)	Call FVAP with voting assistance questions	
Facebook	Facebook.com/DoDFVAP	FVAP and UOCAVA updates	
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For Service specific Voting Action Plans visit <u>http://www.fvap.gov/vao/guidance.html</u>.