

VFW Auxiliary Department South Dakota
October Report 2025
Membership
Pam Vissia, Membership Chairmen

Happy Fall Everyone!

Currently South Dakota is setting at 89.55% and we need 430 members to reach the 100% milestone. We are doing great.

We are busy preparing for the Fall Council to be held in Sioux Falls on October 3rd and 4th at the Alliance. I am looking forward to seeing everyone and sharing wonderful ideas on membership with all of you. Along with the other chairmen I will be doing a presentation on membership and have a table and handouts for you and will be available to answer any questions you may have. I can assist you with filling out membership forms properly, explaining who is eligible for the Auxiliary and any other questions you may have regarding membership.

I hope that you have sent out your first dues notice to those who are annual members. If not, you need to do so as soon as possible. I highly recommend that you send out a reminder to those that have not paid every month or so. I know it seems like a lot of work but the sooner we get the dues paid the better.

We have also got a list of the at large members and are working on sending letters to them asking them to join a local auxiliary. We send them a letter and ask them to join an auxiliary near them. Be on the lookout for some membership transfers.

I am asking that at least once a year your auxiliary prints out a list of your current members and review it for any deaths. We need to report them as soon as possible. It was voted on at National Convention that they can come back and take the money from you that National has paid you for dues.

Please ask your Post commander for a list of members and review the list for potential members. We have twelve possibilities from each VFW post member to get an auxiliary member. The list of the eligible members are: Brother-Father-Husband-Wife-Mother-Sister-Daughter-Grandmother-Grandfather-Granddaughter-Grandson-Son. Let us start looking for some new members and make them feel welcome and get them involved.

Have a wonderful October everyone.

Pam Vissia

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