

Advocacy Teams



Action Sheet

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Legislative Ask for March 2024

Urge Congress to Rein in Wasteful Pentagon Wish Lists

March is a crucial month in our campaign to reduce Pentagon spending. The president's budget request is expected to be released on March 11, and the Unfunded Priorities Lists (UPL) will be released on March 21. This is an important moment to ensure members of Congress are informed about these wish lists. It's also vital that legislators know that their constituents are paying attention to this issue and want Congress to make it a priority.

As Americans file taxes over the coming weeks, it's clear that our country cannot afford the ever-increasing cost of weapons and war. And as people of conscience, we know the moral cost of violence committed in our name is a much higher price to pay.

In March, we have another opportunity to make our voices heard when members are in-district from March 25 to April 5. Recesses are a great opportunity to build relationships with lawmakers and their staff. These visits also help strengthen teams' advocacy skills and community-building.

This month, Advocacy Teams will request in-district meetings with an emphasis on House members. For Republican members, emphasize the exciting news that Rep. Alex Mooney (WV-02) just became a co-sponsor of the Streamline Pentagon Budgeting Act (H.R. 4740) after effective advocacy from the West Virginia Advocacy Team.

Meeting requests should be submitted during the first half of the month, with weekly follow-up until a meeting is scheduled. Keep sending respectful messages until you reach a staff member or plan a drop-by visit if you can't get a meeting with the office. This work requires the power of persistence. This month, we will put this important principle into practice.

Read more about our ask here: fcnl.org/teamtoolkit



Actions to Take in March



April Recess
Drop-By

Request an in-district meeting with your House member during the April recess (March 25-April 5)



Lobby Visit #1

Conduct a drop-by visit to your House member's district office.