

NFRW Policy: Counting Volunteer Hours

The Campaign Award Program is an effective tool to demonstrate the power of Republican Federated women at the local, state, and national levels. The program honors individual Clubs and State Federations that spend tremendous amounts of time volunteering (non-paid) for our Republican Party, our Republican candidates, and our Federation of Republican Women.

The following policy details the activities that can be included in your volunteer campaign hours:

1. All non-paid campaign activities benefiting our Republican Party, candidates, and/or the Federation.
2. Campaign work done at home (i.e. mailings, preparing campaign posters, phone calls, computer work, etc.).
3. Work at and/or for a special campaign event, but NOT if you attend as a paid guest OR if you are compensated for the event.
4. Attendance at (and travel portal to portal) State or National Federation Board of Directors Meetings and Conventions as well as time spent in preparation for Federation meetings if you serve on a committee.
5. Time in session at (and travel portal to portal) municipality, precinct/ward, county, district, or state party conventions.
6. Time in session at (and travel portal to portal) RNC conventions.
7. Time spent as a county, state, or national party committee member or as a temporary member (i.e. Rules Committee, Resolutions Committee, etc.).
8. Campaign work at club meetings (i.e. getting petitions signed, doing mailings, etc.) DO NOT COUNT TIME SPENT IN REGULAR BUSINESS AT CLUB MEETINGS.
9. Traveling from event to event, but NOT for personal stops en route.
10. Volunteering at any municipality, county, state, or Federation headquarters.
11. Volunteering for a Republican candidate for a non-partisan office (e.g. school board elections).
12. Working as a poll watcher on Election Day, but NOT if you are paid.
13. Involvement in a Campaign Management School (i.e. training to be a faculty member, teaching and organizing a campaign school, etc.).
14. Working on Election Day as an Election Judge or Election Clerk, but only if you turn the money you are paid over to your county party or your local FRW club.
15. Presenting campaign programs or speeches at local civic organizations.
16. Appearing on local media for the GOP cause.
17. Running for office and all time spent campaigning.
18. Time of Associate/Dual Members (men and women) volunteering for the Federation or individual clubs, or GOP (i.e. working at the HQ of the Party or a candidate, putting up signs, etc.). These hours can only be counted in club tallies and by only one individual club.

THIS IS AN AWARD GIVEN FOR "POLITICAL CAMPAIGN" TIME. IT DOES **NOT** include time for charitable civic, or anything other than volunteer time given as detailed herein. It does **NOT** include time spent on other programs of NFRW that are not related to working on campaigns. Please check with the Achievement Awards Chairman to see if your charitable, civic, and other volunteer time fits within one of the Achievement Awards categories.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann Sexton (651.405.0467, masexton@bitstream.net).