



## What A Victory for AVV and Veterans!

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What a victory for the AVV team and Veterans! Glenn Youngkin, Winsome Sears, Jason Miyares elected, nine key House Districts held, and seven House Districts were won by AVV supported candidates. The House of Delegates is under new leadership. Over 60,000 calls made, countless doors knocked, 68 events hosted or supported, 13 newsletters published, and over 1 million emails sent.

Work hard, win, celebrate, take a knee - rinse and repeat. It's post-election, AVV is still here and we continue to build our strengths, add experience and allies, and gather teammates. There's an After-Action Review (AAR) to do, key supporters to thank, bills to pay, and planning to undertake...But, OMG, did I mention CELEBRATE the team, our work together, and real Success!!

The media is wall-to-wall with post-election analysis, opinions, and story lines. It was an upset in the politics of Virginia and the Nation, an outcome beyond conventional story lines, and a strong new signal to a nation seemingly lost in emotions equal parts dismissive, disheartened, or enraged.

Into the political arena came Glenn Youngkin with a relentless, positive message focused on real people, real issues, and real solutions. He framed a future of hope, unity, and flat-out common sense. He ran His campaign, not Their campaign and never relented in defining his ideas instead of repeating old talking points.

What's not to love about a leader cast in the light of every great leader any Veteran can point to and wish to emulate. In my case, General Colin Powell is that leader I knew who inspired me. Principled, brilliant, demanding, kind. He spoke "Infantry" as my students at Fort Leavenworth concluded – straightforward, no frills, simple truths, cogent logic. To carry this notion further, I'd say that Glenn Youngkin speaks "Virginia" in a fashion similar to General Powell.

Surprise and gratifying change seem to happen most often in sports – see Atlanta Braves! This team overcame injuries, bad trades, and disappointing losses and that's just this year! Hard work, perseverance, and teamwork are the reliable answer to overcoming challenges. It is very likely this same prescription produces surprise and gratifying change in politics – see Virginia 2021! AVV is banking on this formula and will not let up. Our unity of effort and purpose are our key strengths. Veterans united set the example. Your help and support are so critical, so valued, and so appreciated. Grow with us!! [www.americanveteransvote.com](http://www.americanveteransvote.com)

**Every Veteran, Every Vote.**

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