

TRACKING CAMPAIGN / POLITICAL ACTIVITY HOURS

(Excerpt from presentation by TFRW VP-Political Activities Corinne Miklosh)

What Counts? Any time you spend doing political activities, including training, preparation, travel to and from, time spent doing, and the cleanup. Examples of what you can count:

- Gathering signatures on petitions for candidates or issues include the time taken to have these notarized and submitted
- Block walking
- Attending Republican Party meetings and events
- Hours working as an NFRW, TFRW or club board member
- Precinct chair work- your meetings, calls, block walking, everything including prep and travel
- Hours working as a voter registrar – this includes all of the time prepping the event, at the event and time to take the completed forms to the election office.
- Time spent getting to and from your monthly meetings and any time you spend working at the meeting
- TFRW board meetings and events – from the time you leave home until you return
- SREC meetings from portal to portal
- Training events – such as candidate schools
- Campaign work for candidates- working at their events, writing cards, making calls, sending emails, poll greeting
- Legislative work- testifying, working petitions and support- emailing, calling or speaking with elected officials
- Conventions—Precinct, Senate District, Republican Party of Texas, Republican National, NFRW and TFRW—all of these count from portal to portal
- Other conventions/events, e.g. Southern Leadership Conference, NFRW regional events
- Rallies, dinners and fundraisers anytime you are doing things that advance the Republican philosophy or policies.

What Doesn't Count?

- Paid political activity: Campaign, Election Judge or other position UNLESS all earnings are given to a TFRW federated club, the TFRW PAC, a Republican candidate or the Republican Party.
- Time spent at a club's monthly general meeting – but your time getting there does count! And it counts if you are presenting at the meeting or working the meeting – checking in people, giving presentations, etc.
- Community service hours or any work done that is considered Caring for America.

When in doubt about whether it counts, ask yourself: *Will this help get a candidate elected? Am I informing voters about a candidate or issue? Is this helping to pass legislation? Is this supporting the Republican philosophy?*

Why do we Count? Time is money. Your time has value and the hours you spend doing political activities are valuable. Counting, tracking and reporting hours helps demonstrate the power of TFRW. *“Because it’s a tangible demonstration of the value of the work our members do. It’s great to translate hours to dollars’ worth of campaign work that a candidate did not have to raise or spend.”* --Theresa Kosmoski, Past President TFRW

Reporting Hours: Active PWRW Members report hours to PWRW's Vice President-Political Activities **Whitney Kielwasser** (wrkiki@sbcglobal.net). Male Associate Members report their hours through their spouses if Active PWRW Members, or to the club closest to their address.

Please keep track of your hours!