### TENTATIVE AGENDA

# VFW 126<sup>th</sup> National Convention Columbus, OH **Greater Columbus Convention Center** August 9-13, 2025

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#### Friday, August 8, 2025

10:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	VFW Pre-Registration	<b>Central Entrance Foyer</b>
1:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	National Veterans Service Advisory Committee	<b>Union Station A</b>

#### Saturday, August 9, 2025

8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	VFW Registration/Exhibits	Hall B-C
9:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.	Budget and Finance Committee	<b>Union Station A</b>
9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.	VA Claims Clinic	Hall B-C
10:00 a.m 2:00 p.m.	Uniting to Combat Hunger (Community Service Activity)	Hall B-C
10:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.	Vander Clute Memorial Ride	<b>Off-Site</b>
12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.	First Time Attendees Welcome Orientation	C170-172
1:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	National Council of Administration Meeting	<b>Union Station B</b>
4:00 p.m. <b>-</b> 6:00 p.m.	Eastern Conference	Short North B
4:00 p.m. <b>-</b> 6:00 p.m.	Southern Conference	<b>Battelle B</b>
4:00 p.m. <b>-</b> 6:00 p.m.	Big Ten Conference	Short North A
4:00 p.m 6:00 p.m.	Western Conference	Battelle A

#### Sunday, August 10, 2025

8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	VFW Registration/Exhibits	Hall B-C
9:00 a.m 10:00 a.m.	Joint Memorial Service	Hall A
9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.	VA Claims Clinic	Hall B-C
10:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	VFW Riders National Advisory Committee	C150-151
10:30 a.m. <b>-</b> 11:45 a.m.	District Commander Responsibilities Workshop	<b>Union Station A</b>
10:30 a.m 11:45 a.m.	Post Commander Authority & Member Rights Workshop	Short North A
10:30 a.m 11:45 a.m.	QMG Overview & Workshop	Short North B
11:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Update on VFW Legislative Priority Goals	C170-172
11:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Providing Local Benefits Assistance	<b>B230-235</b>
1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	All Committee Member Briefing	Hall A
1:30 p.m 3:00 p.m.	National Bylaws, Manual of Procedure and Ritual	C161-162AB
1:30 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Finance and Internal Organization (200 series)	C170-172
1:30 p.m 2:15 p.m.	General Resolutions (300 Series)	Short North A
1:30 p.m. <b>-</b> 4:00 p.m.	National Security and Foreign Affairs (400 series) Sub Committee – POW/MIA	A212-215
1:30 p.m 3:00 p.m.	National Veterans Service Resolutions (600 series)	<b>Union Station C</b>
	Sub-committee – Health	
	Sub-committee – Benefits	
	Sub-committee – Economic Opportunity/Other	
1:30 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Women's Veterans Committee	A114-115
3:00 p.m 4:30 p.m.	VFW Programs Town Hall	C150-151
3:00 p.m 4:30 p.m.	Parliamentary Procedure Workshop	<b>Union Station A</b>
3:00 p.m 4:30 p.m.	VFW Programs Town Hall	C150-151

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### Sunday, August 10, 2025 (cont.)

3:00 p.m 4:30 p.m.	OMS for Quartermasters Workshop	Short North A
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	2025-2026 Membership Program Review	Short North B
1 1	Department Adjutant/Quartermasters Association Meeting &	B230-235
	Reception (by invite only)	
5:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.	Cornhole Tournament	Atrium

#### Monday, August 11, 2025

8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	VFW Registration/Exhibits	Hall B-C
8:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Joint Opening Session	Hall A
	(business session will resume after lunch break)	
9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.	VA Claims Clinic	Hall B-C
1:00 p.m 4:00 p.m.	VFW Business Session	Hall A
3:00 p.m 4:00 p.m.	Empowering Women Veterans: Understanding your VA Journey	<b>B140-142</b>
5:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.	Cornhole Tournament Championship	Atrium
5:30 p.m 6:30 p.m.	126th VFW National Convention Awards Banquet-Cocktail Hour	<b>Battelle Grand Balcony</b>
	(ticketed event)	
6:00 p.m 10:00 p.m.	126 <sup>th</sup> VFW National Convention Awards Banquet	<b>Battelle Grand Ballroom</b>
	(ticketed event)	

#### Tuesday, August 12, 2025

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8:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	VFW Registration/Exhibits	Hall B-C
	(EXHIBIT HALL CLOSES AT NOON)	
8:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	VFW Business Session (Nominations)	Hall A
9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	VA Claims Clinic	Hall B-C
1:00 p.m 2:30 p.m.	2025-2026 Department Commanders Luncheon (by invite only)	A110-114
1:00 p.m 2:30 p.m.	2025-2026 Department Sr. Vice Commanders/	A120-122
	Sr. Vice President's Luncheon (by invite only)	
1:00 p.m 2:30 p.m.	2025-2026 Department Jr. Vice Commanders/	A123-125
	Jr. Vice President's Luncheon (by invite only)	
1:00 p.m 2:00 p.m.	Afghanistan War Commission Briefing	<b>Union Station C</b>
1:00 p.m 2:00 p.m.	Chaplains Workshop	A210-211
1:00 p.m 2:30 p.m.	Recruiting at the Post Level Workshop	Short North A
1:00 p.m 2:00 p.m.	Truths and Myths about the Vietnam War (Movie)	C170-172
2:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Your VA Health Record: Past, Present, & Future	B140-142
2:30 p.m 3:30 p.m.	Truths and Myths about the Vietnam War (Movie)	C170-172
2:30 p.m 3:30 p.m.	Charitable Gaming: Present & Future Workshop	B143-144
2:30 p.m 4:00 p.m.	QMC Overview & Workshop	Short North B
2:30 p.m 4:00 p.m.	Retention and Recovery of Members Workshop	<b>Union Station A</b>
5:15 p.m.	Parade Line-up	Hall C
6:00 p.m 8:00 p.m.	Patriotic Rally & Entertainment	Hall A
-	(concession available for purchase)	

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#### Wednesday, August 13, 2025

8:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	VFW Business Session	Hall A
	Election/Installation of National Officers	
TBA	National Council of Administration Meeting	Union Station B
	(one-hour following close of the business session)	
1:00 p.m. <b>-</b> 2:30 p.m.	All-American Commanders Luncheon	Hyatt Regency Ballroom
	(ticketed event)	
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Commander-in-Chief's and National President's Reception	Hyatt Regency Ballroom
	(ticketed event)	