## **SUPPORT A POLITICIAN**

One of the greatest things about where we live is our political system. A government by the people, for the people. These are ordinary people with ideas and a voice and platforms where every view can be considered. Perhaps not perfect, but a stark contrast to many oppressed parts of the world. What a shame it is for a person to go through life oblivious to this system. But a Cragsman, like you, is not going to bury their head in the sand. You are going to get some firsthand experience.

## FLIP OVER FOR YOUR NEXT CHALLENGE





## **EARN THIS NUGGET**

- Think about your beliefs, convictions, and where you stand on issues.
- Find a local politician who you believe closely represents your views. Remember, everyone is different, so don't expect everything to match up.
- Connect with the individual on social media or at a website. Reach out to see what you can do to help support the officer or candidate.

- To begin, you need to know your position. Which group most closely represents your ideals and convictions?
- There are local offices such as city council, mayor, the state governor, elected judges. These individuals are voted in. You can be instrumental in helping the candidate that best represents your views get in to office.
- There are also issues that get voted on. Again, you can have influence in your community with these issues. This is part of exercising your voice.
- Before elections, you can contact a candidate who you believe represents you well and volunteer to help.
- You can donate or raise money to support a cause.



• And, of course, if you are so inclined, in the future you can step up and run for office yourself. The people who run are just people like you who want to make a difference.