

Legislative perspective for Serve Ohio

When scheduling time with the Senator.

- In Person, Call or email. Find the contact information of the Administrative aide. Do not use generic email accounts.
- Do not schedule a meeting that is regarding the Budget (HB 59).
- Schedule minimum of 2 or 3 weeks out
- How is your organization relevant to legislation/committee of the member?
- Use Constituents as leverage to seeing the Member
- Research each member to understand their limitations. Session, Caucus, Committees.

The Meeting

- Don't be offended or discouraged when staff takes a meeting.
- Keep meetings to 30 minutes. Be effective and efficient
- Utilize one "Pagers".
- Tell us what you want specifically, Restored funding, amendment etc.
- Are you a resource? How can you assist us in helping constituents (casework, food stamps, afterschool program?)
- Have members visit programs in Action, Invite staff to participate w/ member or in their place.

Post Meeting

- Keep track of the amount of meeting you request per member
- Visit or make a connection without an agenda
- Follow up with meetings (legislation)