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Louisiana Gumbo Lesson Resource

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MOBILIZING THE HOME FRONT, 1941

Investigation

How did Louisiana's government officials mobilize support for our nation's war efforts during World War II?

Artifacts:

From the America at War Collection of the LOUISiana Digital Library locate the [Directory of National War Agencies: Louisiana - Revised](#)

Process

Ask students to

1. Read the document and make a list of the government war agencies that were active in Louisiana during World War I.
2. Prepare a graphic organizer that illustrates their findings.
3. View the World War I Propaganda Posters in the LOUISiana Digital Library at [War posters--American--1910-1920](#). Make a list of the features that enable these posters to shape/influence public opinion effectively.
4. Select one government war agency that was active in Louisiana and plan a campaign to further the goals of that agency.
 - a. Use the ideas they gain from the World War I posters to prepare a **WWII Propaganda Poster** to accomplish the goal of their specific agency.
 - b. Prepare a brief public relations speech to use with the poster to boost support for their agency.
5. Poster Gallery and Oral Presentations

Materials

- [Directory of National War Agencies: Louisiana - Revised](#)
- [War posters--American--1910-1920](#).
- [Poster Rubric](#)
- [Essay Rubric](#)

Evaluation

- [Poster Rubric](#)
- [Essay Rubric](#)