

# WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS

## DUTY ASSIGNMENT: RECRUITMENT POSTER



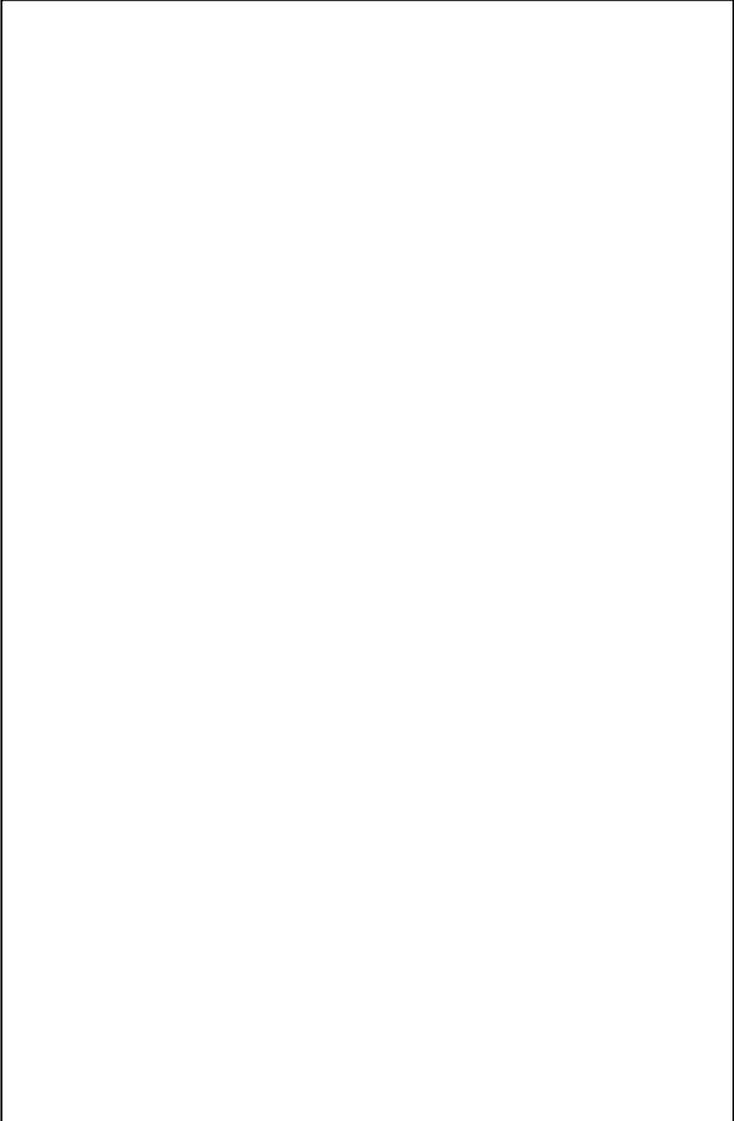
### ASSIGNMENT:

The year is 1943 and the United States is fighting in World War II. Alabama Governor Chauncey Sparks has just issued an announcement calling all patriotic women of Alabama to enlist in the Women's Army Corps. You have been assigned to the Governor's

committee for recruiting women into the Women's Army Corps (WAC).

**Create a recruitment poster that makes Alabama women want to sign up for WAC. Pick one of the titles below and write it at the top of the rectangle. Then draw a picture and add additional slogans (sayings).**

- **You are Needed Now!**
- **This is Your War Too! Join the WAC**
- **Are you a Girl with a Star Spangled Heart?**
- **Bring Him Home Sooner**
- **Do Your Part, Join the WAC**



### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Women's Army Corps (WAC) began in 1942 as an auxiliary (side) unit and received full military status in 1943. Members of WAC were the first women other than military nurses to serve in the ranks of the United States Army. Women were needed to perform jobs previously held by men. That way the men could leave their jobs and travel overseas to fight in battle. WAC service members worked in noncombat jobs, such file clerks, finance assistants, mechanics, and technicians. Fort McClellan in Anniston was an important WAC training and employment center. The Women's Army Corps served during World War II and the Korean and Vietnam Wars. It was discontinued in 1978 and its members were included directly into the United States Army.