



President's Message

Post-election Wednesday - LWVAAC warmly thanks our local Elections offices in Arlington and Alexandria City. Additionally, LWVAAC appreciates all of Arlington and Alexandria City election volunteers.



On this post-election Wednesday, you all might find this linked article interesting:

[People Magazine Article: Susan B. Anthony Home Now Polling Place](#)

We've got some upcoming important events! Check them out below.

Ranked Choice Voting Survey (RCV) Arlington County, LWV-VA Study, RCV in Alexandria, LWV-VA Pre-Session, and Alexandria Pre-Legislative Town Halls, a

peek into January/February 2025.

And finally, on this post-election Wednesday: We persist. Perfecting unions is the long game. We mend; but we persist.

Arlington Ranked Choice Voting Survey – Complete By 19 November:

Arlingtonians: Here is the Arlington Now article that includes the RCV survey:

[Arlington Now RCV Article \(31 Oct 24\)](#)

Survey Link: County officials will be collecting community feedback to gauge public perceptions of the process change. Individuals can participate in an [online survey](#), write to countyboard@arlingtonva.us, or call 703-228-3130 through **November 19** to submit comments.

LWVAAC Review of LWV-VA Study on Right to Vote

Please continue to sign up for the LWV-VA Right to Vote Study that was emailed to all LWVAAC members on 28 September.

The in-person meeting will take place **Sunday, November 24th** (instead of November 17th), at Beatley Library in Alexandria from 1:00pm – 4:00pm. We likely will not use all that time; but we'll be able to take the time we need.

The virtual meeting will take place on **Friday, 22nd November, starting at**

3:00pm (likely about 2 hours).

Please sign-up for whichever session you want to attend (virtual or in-person), here:

[LWV-VA Right to Vote Study Meeting SIGN-UP](#)

We hope as many members as possible will attend either the virtual or in-person session. However, for those unable to attend either, we will take written answers to consensus questions (pages 36-37 in the study) and attempt to meld them into the group consensus of the in-person and virtual meetings. Written comments (in addition to the consensus questions) will also be allowed and due no later than 30 November and can be emailed to me at lwvarlingtonva@gmail.com.

Questions? Email me at lwvarlingtonva@gmail.com. You can also request the study link be sent again in the event you don't have the original email.

Volunteers Needed: Ranked Choice Voting - Alexandria

Alexandria will elect a new City Council in November, with their three-year term beginning in January 2025 through December 2027. Alexandria's City Council is an at-large election; electing six members at the same time. This presents us with an opportunity to advocate for Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) in Alexandria.

LWVAAC and UpVote Virginia (<https://upvoteva.org/>) will have an initial meeting sometime after 5 November and before mid-December to discuss planning a way forward. For this initial meeting only LWVAAC members and UpVote members and staff will be present.

This is a fantastic opportunity for Alexandria League members to get involved in a significant long-term effort focused on Alexandria.

If you're interested in being part of this effort, email me at lvarlingtonva@gmail.com.

Annual Pre-Legislative Town Halls for Arlington & Alexandria

Be on the lookout for upcoming dates for both Arlington and Alexandria Pre-Legislative Town Halls!

These local town halls are an opportunity for Arlington and Alexandria constituencies to meet with their representatives before they head down to Richmond for the 2025 General Assembly Session that gets underway on Wednesday, 8 January.

We're in the process of coordinating these events – one for Arlington and one for Alexandria – and we will provide further information as soon as we have it. These events will likely take place on a week night in November/December.

LWV-VA Pre-Session Wednesday, 4 December

Pre-Session is an annual opportunity for the Virginia Leagues to hear from our partners and potential partners about their legislative priorities ahead of the ensuing General Assembly session that starts in the beginning of January of each year. For example, we'll have an opportunity to hear about RevUp's (<https://www.aapd.com/about-rev-up/>) 2025 legislative priorities and see where

the League aligns on issues (and other partners). There are usually up to 20 speakers, and it provides a good overview of other organizations and what they're working on.

Pre-Session will be a virtual event this year on Wednesday, December 4th, 9:00am - 1:00pm.

Sign-Up Here:

<https://secure.everyaction.com/AFLfmDJBEU25FXGg3uX6vg2>

Book Club – We've got some movement on our Book Club! After a bit of a hiatus, LWVAAC is looking to restart the Book Club on a bi-monthly basis starting in January 2025. The meetings will be mostly online (zoom) events; but every once in a while an in-person get together. Are you interested? Contact us at lwwarlingtonva@gmail.com.

Also coming in January/February 2025: LWVAAC's Annual Program Meeting. This is a mandatory annual meeting that allows us the opportunity to review state and local positions in advance of the 2025 LWW Virginia Convention in Fredericksburg in June.

Did you know we have over 60 new members (since early 2024)? LWVAAC warmly welcomes the new folks that have joined us. As the election season closes and we've finished our 2024 registration work, you can look forward to an event in early winter that will focus on our newest members. Thank you for joining us! More information to follow.

Look for next newsletter 20 November!

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