



League of Women Voters of Nevada County

Candidate Forum Support Volunteer Job Description

Sept. 16 – Oct. 3, 2024

Position Overview and Impact: Volunteer with the League of Women Voters and be a part of empowering voters and defending democracy by helping produce the Candidate Forums which are one of the League's most important services to the community. Support is needed at each forum to ensure a successful, safe, and educational evening.

League of Women Voters Purpose, Mission, Values and Scope

The League of Women Voters of Nevada County is a nonpartisan organization encouraging informed and active participation in government that empowers citizens to shape better communities.

Our Mission is to protect voting rights and inspire civic engagement with courage and integrity as we engage with the community.

We are dedicated to unbiased voter education about elections, the voting process and public policy. Therefore, we do not advocate on issues, and we adhere to the nation-wide LWV policy of never supporting or opposing any political party or candidate.

To conduct our voter service and citizen education activities, resources are available to us from the National and California League of Women Voters Education Funds, which are 501(c)(3) corporations, nonprofit educational organizations. These resources are developed from a rich source of knowledge held and research conducted by our members nationwide.

Qualifications and Skills Preferred: No qualifications necessary.

Jobs needed include:

- **Timekeeper** - Keep track of speaking time and inform candidates with signs when they have 30 seconds remaining, and when their time is up. Phone with timer is needed.
- **Greeter** - Welcome guests to the forum, remind guests, when necessary, that no campaign paraphernalia can be brought in. Distribute cards and pens at beginning and during the forum for questions.

- **Table host** - This is a substitute position in case our permanent table host can't make it. Sets up the table with LWV literature, member name tags, voter registration information, other pertinent information. Stays at the table during the forum, can listen to speakers in the lobby.

Dates of Position – TBD Forums will occur between Sept. 16 and Oct. 3 but are not yet set. Typically, they are on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evenings, but sometimes on Monday evening as well.

Location: Most often these occur at the Rood Center in Nevada City. Change of venue is sometimes necessary.

Time Commitment: Time is typically between 5:30 and 8pm, but this depends upon candidate schedules.

Volunteer Staff Contact: Jan Bedayn, 530-388-0147, jbedayn@lwnvadacounty.org

Benefits of Volunteering: Spend your time working towards a collective vision of defending democracy. Meet other volunteers and get to listen to the forum!