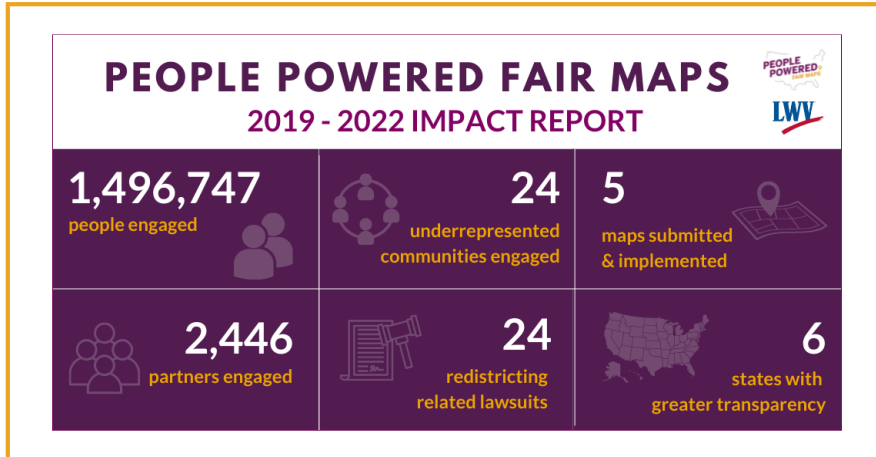




## The League Update

JULY 28, 2022



Patricia,

### Our Nation

Last week, a bipartisan group of lawmakers released proposed reforms to the *Electoral Count Act* and *Presidential Transition Act*. The League is pleased to see our elected leaders coming together to put forward these necessary reforms. On January 6, our democracy faced a historic threat when violent insurrectionists stormed the US Capitol in an attempt to overturn the results of the 2020 election. These reforms are a critical step forward in ensuring that these actions never happen again. [Read our statement on the reforms.](#)

### Our League

I am excited to announce we have launched the [People Powered Fair Maps™ 2019 – 2022 redistricting report](#). The report outlines our work over the course of three years and highlights our success in creating fairer maps across the nation. Despite a global pandemic, we safely engaged **over 1 million people** in this crucial work to make all voices heard. We know that when citizens from all walks of life are involved in the redistricting process, we have greater transparency, more voices are heard, and the results are fairer. Through organizing, education, and civic engagement, we successfully challenged unfair maps, built community, and made strides to ensure that all Americans are fairly represented in our democracy. Celebrate with us and read the report [here](#).

In other League news, our CEO, Virginia Kase Solomón, testified last week before the US Senate Committee on Rules and Administration regarding the importance of the *DISCLOSE Act*, critical legislation that would allow the American people to know who is influencing elections with large political spending. In case you missed it, you can read her remarks and watch the recording [on our blog](#). Additionally, I encourage you to tell your Senators to vote for the *DISCLOSE Act* and spread the word using [our action alert](#).

As we begin the last days of summer and approach our packed days leading up to the November elections, please remember to take care of yourself. Self-care is a cool way to stay cool!

In League,

Deborah

### WEBINARS & VIRTUAL MEETINGS

#### Upcoming

- **Aug. 3, 3pm ET | [Advocacy & Litigation FY 2022 Wrap Up](#)**  
Join the LWVUS advocacy and litigation team for their July Policy Webinar as they look back on an eventful and impactful year.
- **Aug. 17, 3pm ET | [Working on Federal Voting Rights in States](#)**  
Learn about LWVUS's collaboration with 11 key states to support their advocacy efforts around the *Freedom to Vote Act* and the *John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act*.
- **Aug. 25, 3pm ET | [Legislative Office Hours](#)**  
A regular space for LWVUS advocacy staff to support your League's legislative work. If you have specific positions or bills to discuss, please email [advocacy@lww.org](mailto:advocacy@lww.org).

#### Recordings

- [Communicating in Times of Conflict: How To Be Seen and Heard](#)
  - [DEI Webinar: Native American Women and the Suffrage Movement](#)
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#### ACTION

- Take Action: [Root Out Dark Money](#)

## Sign Up for National Voter Registration Day 2022!

280 Leagues have [signed up for National Voter Registration Day \(NVRD\) 2022](#), coming up on Sept. 20. Has your League signed up yet? We're asking every state and local League to take part in NVRD by [signing on as an official partner](#) and hosting a virtual or in-person registration event. Additionally, NVRD has grant funding available; [check out the application here](#). Whether you're promoting the day via a community registration drive, spreading the word on social media, texting voters to remind them about registration deadlines, or working with partners to spread the word, **we need you!** The message is simple: now is the time to register or update your registration, to ensure you can vote in the upcoming midterm elections.

## Join the Movement to Support Poll Worker Recruitment

Interested in serving as a poll worker this year, or know someone who might be? LWVEF is proud to once again partner with [Power the Polls](#) to recruit thousands of needed poll workers ahead of the important midterm elections. Election officials – and voters! – need us more than ever. [Consider serving as a poll worker](#) and [share our custom link](#) with people in your life who can help at the polls this year!

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#### RESOURCES

- Blog: [Explaining SCOTUS's Abortion Decision in \*Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health\*](#)
- Blog: [How Native American Woman Shaped the American Suffrage Movement](#)
- TikTok: [Convention 2022 Wrap-Up](#)

## PPFM Impact Report & Social Media Toolkit

Today, LWVUS is excited to unveil the impact report for our three-year redistricting reform program, People Powered Fair Maps™. The [People Powered Fair Maps™ Impact Report 2019 – 2022](#) highlights the League's redistricting reform efforts during the 2021 redistricting cycle and its impact on new maps. Read the full report online [here](#) and share the impact of our work with [our social media toolkit](#).

## VOTE411 Turns 16!

Help us celebrate VOTE411's Sweet 16 on Aug. 7 with our bilingual, nonpartisan social media resources. Look out for a social media toolkit and learn more [here](#).

## Updated Guide to Services

The main document outlining the services LWVUS provides for local and state Leagues and the work LWVUS does at the national level has been updated. This document is also a directory of how to contact LWVUS on various topics and questions. [Access the LWVUS Guide to Services](#) on the League Management Site and consider bookmarking this resource for future use!

## Training Series: How To Work as a Board of Directors

[This three-part, on-demand training series](#) reviews how boards can most effectively conduct their work and better understand their roles. It's intended for both newly elected and experienced board members of state and local Leagues. Presented by nonprofit management coach Marla Weston, the series is broken down into three sessions: "Serving on a Board of Directors: Governing Well," "High Performing Board of Directors: Working Together," and "Creating a Powerful Board-Staff Partnership."

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#### LWV BUSINESS

## Reminder to Submit Comments on Draft Policies by Aug. 1

In line with legal and nonprofit best practices, the LWVUS board has developed two draft policies that provide clarity on organization-wide expectations for LWVUS, Leagues, and members in the form of a [League Rights and Responsibilities Policy](#) and a [Member Rights and Responsibilities Policy](#), which are formed from existing bylaws, policies, and legal or nonprofit best practices. As the LWVUS board and staff prepare to finalize and implement these policies, they are seeking additional input from the field. League members are encouraged to submit their comments on these policies by **Aug. 1, 2022**, via the forms posted on each page.

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#### LETTERS & MEMOS

- Letter: [LWVUS Joins Sign-On Letter to Congress Urging Health Equity in Reconciliation](#)
- Letter: [LWVUS Supports the Youth Voting Rights Act](#)
- Testimony: [LWVUS Testifies at DISCLOSE Act Hearing](#)

## Leagues in the News

- League of Women Voters of Alabama and other organizations filed an amicus brief in *Merrill v. Milligan*, challenging the state's discriminatory maps. Read more: [SPLC](#), [League of Women Voters call on Supreme Court to strike down Congressional map](#).
- Kansans will head to the polls next week to vote on a constitutional amendment on abortion rights in the state. Learn more about the vote and what the League of Women Voters of Kansas is doing ahead of the election: [The dystopian American reality one month after the Roe v Wade reversal](#).
- League of Women Voters of New Mexico is hosting a women's history symposium. The event will have local women historians presenting on various subjects. Read more: [Symposium highlights women in N.M.'s past](#).

## LEAGUE LEADERS

Special Notifications: Please don't reply to this message. For additional information, contact the individual listed or visit our websites: [lww.org](#) and the [League Management Site](#). To help keep your members informed, consider forwarding this bi-weekly message. Want to sign up to receive this email? [Use this form](#). Please note that this is an internal communication that provides both announcements and opportunities meant only for your members and League, as well as updates on important news and events.



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