



League of Women Voters Greater Hartford Newsletter

May 2021

Calendar 2021

**Program Planning
Zoom Meeting
June 10, 2021 @ 6:30PM**

**LWV CT Convention
June 5, 2021 via Zoom.**

Review agenda at
<https://app.box.com/s/hv10svwhfeszkbzjvfcrt8wvhw0u01n>.

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LWVGH – Website
Under Revision

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Programs 2021-2022

The 2021-2022 schedule for the annual programs will be determined at the Zoom meeting on June 10, 2021, @ 6:30 PM.

We will discuss topics, locations, and speakers. Please RSVP to the meeting invitation to receive a Zoom link.

Email karen.licht@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

Membership

Membership Renewals are due by May 31, 2021. For questions regarding your membership please contact Libby Swietek at 860 561-2886.

The Diversity Equity and Inclusion language Bylaw change is being held open until May 30, 2021.

Vote here
<https://forms.gle/oyHcaczSXVVTk82j7>

The Annual report tally for Board, Budget and Program is also being held open until May 30, 2021.

Vote here:
<https://forms.gle/yDDc4nftJyTEcSoy9>

LWVGH Website

We need help building LWVGH's website, updating Twitter and supporting communication through our email. If you have experience or interest in learning about electronic communications, contact Doretta at 860-670- 5016 or doretta.andonucci@gmail.com .

Advocacy Update

Status of LWVCT priority action items.

(1.) SB753 to end prison-based gerrymandering. Passed the Senate and House. Action: Check the vote tally sheet, thank your legislators who voted in favor: [SB753 Vote Tally](#).

(2.) HJ58 (NEAV) and HJ59 (Early Voting). Both passed the House and go to the Senate. Contact your Senator to support these measures to make voting more accessible to all eligible Connecticut voters. Contact your House member: if they supported these, thank them; if they opposed, politely express your disappointment. [HJ58 Tally Sheet](#); [HJ59 Tally Sheet](#)

(3.) Support SB5 to make our elections more accessible, safe and secure by improving online registration and voter list maintenance through the DMV and other agencies; Improving processes for applying for and handling of absentee ballots; and enfranchising people on parole by supporting court fees being waived, as they are in MA, RI, New Hampshire and several other states; VT and Maine permit all prisoners to vote.

[More information](#) from LWVCT.

(4.) Support SB1037 to modernize the decades old Bottle Bill. **LWVCT is asking us to CALL our Senators to support: [Bottle Bill action alert](#)**

For the latest information go to [LWVCT Advocacy information](#)