



Updated September 2025 ~ FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO GET INVOLVED, SEND AN EMAIL TO INFO@LWVHELENA.ORG C/O THE CONTACT LISTED

Category	What LWV Members Can Do	Time Commitment	Skills Needed	Contact
ACCESS MEMBERS-ONLY WEBPAGES	Access the password-protected members-only area on our website. News, alerts, legislative action, and more!	Do at home in minutes	Filling out online forms and creating passwords.	https://lwwmontana.org
BOOK CLUB	Join our discussion group , also called book club, but you don't have to read/view the book, article, video being discussed. Often there are videos to watch. Just attend when you can. Usually the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.	A few hours a month; busier as an event gets going.	Curiosity and a desire to learn and share.	Kathy McNeill
CIVICS EDUCATION	Join our civics education teams and help us present prepared, interactive presentations : Suffrage Timeline, Nitty Gritty of Voting, Mock Election. Our dream is to go on the road across the state. We ALWAYS work with a partner or team.	A few hours on the days we have events.	Presenting skills and public speaking.	Rebecca Johnson
COFFEE HOUR	Sip & Share - a new weekly coffee hour to meet and socialize with other League members and potential League members at a local coffee house Tuesdays at 10:00 am.	1-4 hours monthly	Sharing thoughts and ideas and listening to thoughts and ideas offered by others.	Sue Hoell or Kathy McNeill
COMMITTEE WORK	Join a Committee! Barb Harris Student Essay Contest, Civics Education, Communications, Local Government (includes Observer Corps), Membership, Program, VOTE411, Voter Services (Registration +), Young Professionals, Youth Empowerment.	1-5 hours monthly	Enjoys teamwork and collaboration, sharing ideas.	Refer to Committee List
DATA MANAGEMENT	Help us track our statistics by reminding Committee Chairs to fill out and return to you their Event Tracking Forms. Assist with year-end statistics survey sent by National LWV.	A few hours a month	Phone Calling, Data Entry, Statistics Compiling	Cherri Jones
DEFENDING DEMOCRACY - new Position	Research history of Montana libraries for a State group working on a new Library Position for Montana. Or interview librarians across the state (phone or zoom) to find out more about their libraries' needs.	A few hours a month; depends on how much time you have	Research, Interviewing	Gerrie Beck, Bozeman Area LWV

EMPOWER VOTERS	Our voter registration teams need coordinators for specific locations: Farmers Market, Helena Food Share, Prisons, Naturalization Ceremonies, Parades, Other Towns/Locales,	5+ hours a month	Organizational skills, emailing volunteers, coordinating with venues	Rebecca Johnson
EMPOWER VOTERS	Register voters! We'll teach you how, and you can join our green-vest team at local events and locations to register voters.	A few hours on one day	Public Greeting	Rebecca Johnson
EMPOWER VOTERS	Help get out the vote! Talk with friends, neighbors about issues you care about and why their vote is crucial.	Do at home in minutes	Outreach and public engagement.	Any LWV Helena Area board member
EMPOWER VOTERS	Help gather information from candidates for our VOTE411 website. You'll work with seasoned team members to prepare this for uploading onto our nonpartisan site.	Project-based; busier as election gets near	Data entry, computer skills.	Tracy Donaldson or Patrice Anderson
FUNDRAISING	Join our fundraising team to raise funds for Civics Education and other educational projects.	Varies	Grant writing, donor relations, database work, social media	Cherri Jones
HEALTH CARE IN HELENA	Report on aspects of Health Care in Helena that are of interest to you – both positive and negative, helpful and not helpful. We plan to take whatever steps we can to ensure that Helena seniors have optimal health care.	3 hours a month	Experience, reporting, compiling and sharing information.	Sue Hoell or Celeste Jazwinski
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE	Organizer. Work with Local Government Committee to arrange speakers for public meetings, coordinate with Membership Committee and Communications Committee to plan meeting specifics and media outreach.	5+ hours a month	Event Organizing	Mickey Harlow
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE	Research topic areas our Local Government Committee is working on related to local or county government.	5+ hours a month	Research	Mickey Harlow
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - OBSERVER CORPS	Join the Observer Corps. You'll learn what to report on as you attend public meetings. You observe only and do not comment, but you wear your League pin. You can attend during the meeting time in person or via Zoom, or click onto the recording later.	5+ hours a month	Observe meetings and write reports.	Mickey Harlow

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - OBSERVER CORPS	Compile Observer Corps Reports. Condense Observers' reports into one easily readable document; verify facts, spellings, find links where applicable. Two reports/month take about 10 hours each.	20 hours a month	Writing/editing final report document.	Mickey Harlow
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - OBSERVER CORPS	Help edit our Observer Reports. You'll help edit the reports that get published on our website and emailed to members and our public email list. This involves tying in issues with our positions - we'll train!	5+ hours a month	Attention to detail. Editing.	Mickey Harlow
MEMBER ENGAGEMENT	Read member updates and reminder emails that come from Helena Area LWV .	Half hour weekly	Desire to know what's happening with the LWVHA.	Becky Piske
MEMBER ENGAGEMENT	Read <i>The Voter</i> , our monthly member newsletter to follow the League's activities, meetings, action alerts, and ways to get involved. Also emailed from Helena Area LWV .	Half hour monthly	Desire to know what's happening with the LWVHA.	Patti Borneman
MEMBER ENGAGEMENT	Stay on top of national issues the LWVUS (national LWV) is working on and asking members to do.	Less than an hour	Interest in national issues.	https://www.lwv.org
MEMBER ENGAGEMENT	Help develop and compile results from our member surveys - brainstorm questions, organize information.	Less than an hour	Survey Creation, Survey Statistics Compilation	Wendy Wheeler
MEMBER MEETINGS	Attend a meeting, forum, debate, presentation! Learn about topics of current interest and meet other League members.	A few hours a month; depends on how much time you have	Interest in state and local issues.	See <i>The Voter</i> , weekly update emails, and https://lwvmontana.org for event topics, time and place.
MEMBER OUTREACH	Keep up with the latest legislative battles our National legal teams are working on at: https://www.lwv.org/legal-center-search and write short articles for The Voter to keep all of us current.	1-3 hours monthly	Writing, Editing, Research	Patti Borneman
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE	Join the Membership Committee and help our group set up for meetings and greet members and the public.	A few hours on one day; join team as your schedule permits	Public Greeting	Wendy Wheeler
NEWS LITERACY	Join our News Literacy Program group , the kickstart for a civics education presentation that our League can develop – state level. Our Leagues can train, present to their local schools.	5+ hours a month	Writing/editing, develop programs, organize events	Rebecca Johnson
PROGRAM PARTICIPATION	Mark your calendar and join us at events that fit your schedule.	Do at home in minutes	Desire to learn and get involved.	https://lwvhelena.org

PROGRAM PLANNING	Plan and host up to 2 meetings/year with the Program Committee.	Project based, 4-5 hours planning time plus meeting time	Organizational skills, emailing volunteers, coordinating with venues	Mary Johnson
PUBLIC OUTREACH	Assist with social media postings – about National, State, Local LWV priorities, events, actions to take.	2+ hours monthly	Facility with Social Media, Writing, Editing	Patti Borneman
PUBLIC OUTREACH	Video project with LWV Montana – interview people about what democracy means to them. Learn to run equipment or do the interviews. Ongoing through 2026.	5+ hours a month	Interviewing, Running Video Equipment, Video Editing, Social Media Facility	Nancy Leifer - info@lwwmontana.org
RALLIES	Attend rallies and other civic engagement events that you'll learn about in <i>The Voter</i> and member updates.	A few hours on one day		LWVHA website and emails
RALLIES	Help us table at rallies that are sanctioned by LWVUS. We table in teams, greet rally-goers, offer information.	A few hours on one day		Wendy Wheeler
STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST	Help with our annual Student Essay Contest , which could move toward art/poster/graphics, or videos on a specific topic	Project-based - surveys get compiled once a year	Teacher Contacts, Brainstorming Topics, PR within school systems, Graphic Design for PR	Sherry Meador or Ann Gilkey
TAKE ACTION	Call and/or email your legislative and congressional representatives. Put their info into your phone contacts and call or email to comment on an issue - these COUNT.	Do at home in minutes		
YOUTH EMPOWERMENT	Join our Youth Empowerment Committee , which focuses on developing leadership skills, civics education and engagement, advocacy on issues of interest to high school and college-age members.	A few hours a month	Event Organizing, Recruiting, Social Media Facility, Research	Rebecca Johnson