

REPORT FROM 2022-2023 LWVNCA PROGRAM COMMITTEE For May 6, 2023 Annual Convention

The Program Committee continued its work in 2022 by having a successful Workshop on August 13, 2022 entitled "Trains, Buses and Automobiles." We had great speakers from the Council of Governments (COG), the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) and the Coalition for Smarter Growth (CSG) who discussed the interconnectedness of transportation and land use policies of the regional jurisdictions. They presented great information for League advocacy and inspired many questions and answers. The workshop was virtual and had some technical difficulties at the beginning of the program. However, Sherry Zachry did a great job in providing the program recording in its entirety on the LWVNCA Website after the program's end. We had more than 50 registrations, a great response at this normally slow time of year.

In our last report (for 2022 Convention) we recommended that LWVNCA set up a more comprehensive committee to take on the task of recommending positions for updating. Unfortunately, this did not happen as 2 of the remaining 3 members of the committee left to take on other League tasks.

However in February 2023, member Leagues were solicited for topics of interest for study, re-study, or action for the LWVNCA 2023-2025 Program. There were no suggestions from any member League for consideration as recommended program and the LWVNCA Board does not propose any items for approval.

Therefore, the LWVNCA Board proposes that all current LWVNCA positions (as readopted in 2021) be readopted without change by the May 6, 2023 Annual Convention (see Bylaws, Article 9, Section 3).

The LWVNCA positions can be viewed at https://my.lwv.org/district-columbia/national-capital-area/position/lwvnca-positions-2016-readopted-may-1-2021.

We again recommend that LWVNCA form a committee to look at our positions during 2023-2024 fiscal year and give an update at the 2024 Convention, which then will be considered during 2025 LWVNCA Program Planning process. Any program or positions recommendations made at that time may be advanced for subsequent approval at the 2025 LWVNCA Annual Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

Program Committee Chair Kathy Matusiak

(Edna Miller and Sarah Matthews were active in planning the August 2022-Workshop but left the committee to work on other important LWVNCA projects.)