

# Principles, Positions, Priorities, Program, and Projects

## **LWV Organization**

LWV United States - National (LWVUS) // State Leagues (Ohio: LWVO)
Local Leagues (Perrysburg Area: LWVPA)

## **Principles**

### One set of Principles applicable to Local, State, and National LWV.

(LWVUS Principles include one additional principle relative to the powers of the federal government as it relates to the three branches of government.)

1) LWVUS: <u>Impact on Issues</u>, 2020 - 2022 (Go to Page 10 for Principles)

2) LWVO: Agenda for Action Updated 05/03/21 (Go to Page 73 for Principles)

### **Positions**

- 1. A LWV opinion derived from consensus of members & formally adopted as a Position either at the State or National level. Once adopted, Action can be taken on the issue.
- 2. Members may propose new Positions. If proposal is approved, a Study Committee investigates the issue through research, interviews, and observation. The Study Committee presents their findings for discussion and consensus of members. If approved, it becomes a Position where it was adopted either State or National.
- 3. Action can only be taken on Positions. Action is often in the form of lobbying elected officials, testifying before committees, submitting letters to the editor, conducting media outreach, holding public forums, organizing coalitions, initiating litigation, and/or producing publications.
- 4. Local Leagues may be asked to review Positions periodically, with members determining whether to retain, modify, or drop Positions.

### **LWVUS Positions**

Impact on Issues 2020 - 2022
Positions Summary starts on Page 11.
Positions Detail starts on Page 17.

### **LWVO Positions**

Agenda for Action Updated 05/03/21.

Positions Summary starts on Page 8.

Positions Detail starts on Page 11.

(LWVO is currently engaged in a

Study on Criminal Justice.)

### **LWVPA Positions**

**Excerpts of National and State Positions that LWVPA has adopted.** 

See Membership Directory, Page 4

## LWVPA: Principles, Positions, Priorities, Program, & Projects -- continued

### **Priorities**

- 1. Issues selected by Leagues for focus and/or action in the next one-to-two years.
- 2. Designating Priorities does not preclude LWV from working on our other Positions.
- 3. Local Leagues may be asked for their input on State Priorities.
- 4. LWVPA Priorities are updated at our Annual Planning Meeting

### LWVUS: 2021 Priorities

## LWVO 2021 Priorities (per "LWVO's

Advocacy – Take Action Link)

- \*\*Voting & Elections
- \*\*Education
- \*\*Honesty in Education
- \*\*Environment & Clean Energy
- \*\*Gun Safety Reform

## LWVPA 2021 Priorities (aka "Major

Areas of Interest")

- \*\*Clean and Sustainable Water
- \*\*Voter Participation
- \*\*Public Safety
- \*\*Education

## **National and State-Level Program**

- 1. Combination of Priorities, Positions, and selected governmental issues chosen with input from all local leagues for Study (a proposed Position), Education (of members and/or community), and Action (lobbying and advocacy on an adopted Position).
- 2. In even years, LWVUS will ask local leagues for input on the national Program and will hold their annual convention to which all members are invited.
- 3. In odd years, State Leagues will ask their leagues in their state for input on the state's Program and will hold their annual convention of which all members in that state are invited.

## **LWVPA 2021 Projects & Community Events / Involvement (formerly = Program)**

- 1. Plan for the next year to advance National, State, and/or our own Local Priorities.
- 2. LWVPA Projects & Action Items are reviewed & updated at our Annual Planning Meeting.
- 3. We utilize Standing, Select, and Community Involvement Committees as well as Support Positions to complete our projects & events.

| <b>Standing Committees</b> | <b>Select Committees</b> | <b>Community Events</b>  | <b>Support Positions</b> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Membership                 | Finance Drive            | HS Scholarship           | Corresponding Secretary  |
| Natural Resources          | Nominating               | PJHS Student Recognition | Recording Secretary      |
| Observers                  |                          | P-burg Rally Day         | Social Media             |
| Program                    |                          | Stranahan Award          | Treasurer                |
| Publicity                  |                          |                          | Website                  |
| Voter, Directory, Roster   |                          |                          |                          |
| Voter Services             |                          |                          |                          |

(Sources: various documents from LWVUS, LWVO, LWVPA & other Local Leagues)

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