Understanding League of Women Voters' Commitment to Influencing Governmental Public Policy Issues

League of Women Voters (LWV) is a nonpartisan organization, not supporting or opposing any political party or candidate. But we affect change, taking a stand – and taking action – on a number of positions of utmost importance to voters like you.

We come together and arrive at public policy positions through member understanding and agreement. LWV is a multi-issue, multilevel organization. We act on governmental issues at the local, state, and federal levels.

A League position is defined as a set of guidelines by which proposed government action can be measured; or an expression of League goals against which proposed government action can be evaluated. LWV studies issues of interest and members may agree to approve position statements for future action. All LWV action is grounded in these position statements along with League Principles.

The work of LWV is done while applying the lenses of diversity, equity, and inclusion.



League Principles



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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS BELIEVES ...

- in representative government and individual liberties established in the Constitution of the United States
- that democratic government depends upon informed and active participation in government
- every citizen should be protected in the right to vote
- responsible government should be responsive to the will of the people

Get involved with us! We'd love to hear from you.



Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy.



Committed to Action: Influencing Public Policy

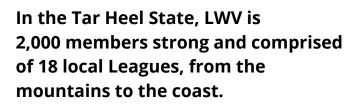
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Western NC: Asheville-Buncombe (Haywood and McDowell), Catawba Valley (Catawba, Alexander, Caldwell, and Burke), Henderson County Central NC: Charlotte-Mecklenburg, Granville County, Moore County, Orange/Durham/Chatham Counties, Piedmont Triad (Guilford and Forsyth), Wake County

Eastern NC: Carteret County, Dare County, Lower Cape Fear (New Hanover, Pender, and Brunswick), Northeastern NC (Perquimans and Pasquotank), Twin Counties (Nash and Edgecombe), Wayne County

Member-At-Large Chapters: Madison County, Mid-Sandhills (Scotland, Robeson, Richmond, and Hoke), Onslow County

When you join a local League in North Carolina, you automatically become a member of League of Women Voters of North Carolina (LWVNC) and the national League of Women Voters (LWV).

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Selected League of Women Voters of North Carolina Public Policy Position Excerpts

REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT

Promote government that is open, accountable, ethical, and responsive to citizens. We encourage citizen participation on NC boards and commissions.

Protect the right of all citizens to vote and encourage all citizens to vote through election laws and voter protection measures that emphasize full participation of all citizens in the democratic process.

Support redistricting processes performed by an open, diversely representative, and independent special commission that adheres to specific timelines for planning, disclosure processes, public hearings, remedies, and standards enforceable in a court of law among other provisions.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Promote an environment beneficial to life through the protection and wise management of natural resources in the public interest by recognizing the interrelationships of air quality, energy, land use, waste management, and water resources.



SOCIAL POLICY

Promote social, legal, and economic justice. Promote constitutional equality and secure rights for all. Combat discrimination and poverty.

Promote fair treatment of all citizens involved in the criminal justice system.

Build public trust and positive community relationships through law enforcement engagement with community members and encourage community participation in the development of law enforcement policy.

Support full access to a PK-12 public education with sustained secure, sufficient, and equitable state funding to promote continuous student growth and achievement.



Complete Guides to LWV Public Policy Positions