

League Women Voters Nonpartisan Policy

The bylaws of the League of Women Voters of the United States stipulate that the League of Women Voters “shall not support or oppose any political party or candidate.”

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In order to protect the League’s nonpartisan reputation, it is important that ALL MEMBERS of the League of Women Voters of Highland Park - Highwood and the public understand the following:

1. The League takes a position only on governmental issues and not on candidates for elective (governmental) office.
2. The League is nonpartisan, not bipartisan. Bipartisan means representing both parties; the League represents no party. LWV Highland Park-Highwood is Non-Partisan.
3. Every LWV member must take the responsibility for clearly differentiating between their personal opinions and the League position.
4. All LWV members are expected to keep their League activity and their political activity completely separate and distinct.

The League of Women Voters of Highland Park-Highwood uses a streamlined management structure, referred to as the Leadership Team. The Leadership Team Chair and Voter Services Chair may not hold or actively seek elective office, nor publicly endorse local candidates for office.

For additional clarification, as per LWVUS recommendations:

1. The political activities of a spouse or relative of a board member is considered as separate and distinct from the activities of the board member.
2. The League’s nonpartisan reputation is sufficiently strong to ensure that any contributions from elected officials or candidates for office may be accepted without being misconstrued as League’s endorsement of those donors.

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