Dear Local Leagues and UALs,                  November 27, 2018

January is the month we begin the process of deciding where we, as a state League, want to focus our efforts during the 2019 – 2021 program years. Results of input received from all local Leagues are reviewed by this Program of Work Planning Committee submitted to the Board for its review and recommendation, and voted on at our convention in June, 2019.

Our goal is to get input from all 20 Local Leagues about what you propose that the LWVWA work on over the next biennium.

**Making Democracy Work®** is the overall direction for the national and state Leagues. With this in mind, please consider submitting topics that address that. Work on things that will make a difference, ideas with tangible results. Be laser aimed at your topics; for example, civics education for the entire state—League owns this! With our national Centennial and the Transformation Journey adapted for our state, we have enough to focus on now! Don’t forget our introduction to Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI). That work is what is drawing people to the League.

Please bear in mind that what is proposed should be doable and have volunteers ready to work on it. When you prepare your submission, please identify veteran members and newer members you would mentor for your work.

 Included are some document links that are for your reference and use. There are several ways to submit your proposals. We will still use an online form ([https://form.jotform.com/83238195198165](https://form.jotform.com/83238195198165)), and we will also accept scanned and attached or copies of the form filled out by hand and mailed to the state office. Responses must be **received by the state office by February 28, 2019.**

If you have questions about what is described, please contact us. We want this to be distributed broadly to local League boards, committees, and members when you do your program of work planning. You can start getting people interested at your December meeting, no prohibition to that!

*See next page for additional resources.*
For additional background see the following

- Glossary of Terms
- Principles and Program, Article XI from the LWVWA Bylaws
- Things to consider when planning for a successful Program of Work planning meeting

We hope your planning meeting goes well and we look forward to your responses.

Yours in League,
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LOCAL LEAGUE WORKSHEETS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019.