

in League

Make the most of your League membership



To-Do List

Here are a few key items we need your help with over the next few weeks!

- [Take Action: Root Out Dark Money](#)
Tell your Senators to vote for the DISCLOSE Act—tell them now is the time to root out dark money that has an increasing influence on our federal elections
- Put [League events](#) on your calendar
- Explore our [Help Wanted ads](#) for volunteer opportunities
- League Leaders: Make sure your League is [signed up for National Voter Registration Day](#).



Upcoming Events

8.26 FRI | Women's Inequality Day

This year LWVUS is asking us to join in changing the way we observe the anniversary of the certification of the 19th amendment by demanding that our representatives pass voting rights legislation; add the ERA to the Constitution; and restore reproductive freedom by sharing #WomensInequalityDay across your social networks. [Learn more.](#)

8.30 TUE | [LWVUS August Community Call](#), 2 p.m. PT

A space for state Leagues to share and learn about organizing efforts. This month, we will hear from state Leagues about the critical role of partnerships and coalitions in their work.

9.12 MON | [LWVWA and LWVWA Education Fund Board Meetings](#)

Information available on the [LWVWA website](#).

9.20 TUE | [National Voter Registration Day](#)

[Sign up](#) to promote the day.

[Find more League events around the state.](#) →



Around the League



A Great Example of Civic Education for Children

The Kittitas League partnered with a local bookstore, the local Rotary, and their Little Free Libraries. Through this partnership, copies of *One Vote, Two Votes, I Vote, You Vote* are being distributed to neighborhood children across Ellensburg.

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Local News Study Nearly Complete

The state study *The Decline of Local News and Its Impact on Democracy* is nearly complete and goes to the LWVWA Board of Directors for consideration at its September meeting. The study focuses on the impact that the closure of local newspapers has had on life in Washington state.

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[Kittitas Women Rock Democracy!](#)

In 2020, the LWV of Kittitas County held its first Democracy Rocks treasure hunt as a way to engage and educate voters during the 2020 primary election. This year, the hunt is back and features 17 amazing women, past and present, who have made a positive impact on Kittitas County.

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[In Memoriam: Betty Tabbutt](#)

Longtime League member Elisabeth (Betty) Tabbutt passed from among us on August 4, 2022. She had a long life rich in experience, impact, and leadership within our community.

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Resources and Notes from National

The LWVUS shares details about draft policies, election resources and activities, federal elections legislation, and more.

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Board Notes

New name, new look, new email provider!

LWV of Washington has moved to a new email service provider, EveryAction, and as part of that migration, we are updating our newsletters too.

First, a big thank you to Lea Galanter, our longtime newsletter editor, who is stepping down from her role to focus on other areas, as well as many other projects she has on her plate. The LWVWA board appreciates all the work she has done, most especially in creating the [LWVWA Style Guide](#). This is an incredible tool for all of us (writers or not) because Lea included so much guidance on inclusive language, which helps us connect to all voters and everyone who depends on us to defend democracy. Lea really put our diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) principles into practice, and we are deeply grateful for her work!

Onto the changes—you may have noticed that there's a new name. *This Month in the League* has become *In League* to better reflect the focus on content for members. We put the most important things up top—your monthly to-dos and calendar highlights. You will receive this newsletter the last Friday of the month to get you prepared for the next month.

Along these lines, *The Voter* will become *The Evergreen Voter* with content for everyone in Washington, but especially folks who are not League members. You'll see this change happen in September. We encourage you to share this newsletter with any friends who might be interested in our work. As always, we are looking for great features, so if you or someone you know is empowering voters and defending democracy, please [email us!](#)



State League Program of Work

One of the most interesting things about the League is the way we arrive at our positions. The League of Women Voters will only take action on positions that we have on the books. This year is the first time in many years that the state League will be adding new positions.

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Candidate Debates Tentatively Scheduled for October

The LWV of Washington is planning at least two statewide candidate debates this fall—for the offices of the U.S. Senate and the Washington Secretary of State. The tentative dates are Thursday, October 6 and Thursday, October 13. The LWWVA previously held a successful candidate forum on July 14 for the Secretary of State primary race, which can be viewed on the [TVW website](#). We also had some good press coverage in the local media in the [Olympian](#) and Tacoma's [News Tribune](#). Thanks to all the local Leagues who helped promote this forum.

Support the League

We're able to continue our mission of empowering voters and defending democracy because of support from folks like you. Show your support by donating to the League of Women Voters of Washington right now!

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The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

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