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Thursday, October 15

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome back to another year of *Voters*. I hope everyone had a good summer, but I know lots of people didn't. So many bad things have happened that Apocalypse Bingo is a trending meme. I am not going to play that game. There is work to be done – the same work that League has been doing for the last 100 years – registering people to vote, educating voters on voting procedure, and helping voters to become informed on issues.

This year we have loads of changes coming, and as any trapeze artist will tell you, the transitions are the tricky part.

Driven by pandemic precautions, Pennsylvania Secretary of State Boockvar expects 3 million Pennsylvanians will vote by mail. Accusations of fraud, undelivered ballots, problems matching signatures, mail slow downs, and rules being changed at the last minute could all impact the success of this expanded procedure.

Another big change our state is going through is an energy transition. Natural gas has replaced coal as the major source of electricity because it is cheaper to build and run a natural gas power plant than it is to operate an already built coal plant. The driving force behind this transition is primarily economics even though there has been lots of rhetoric attributing the change to something else. Our neighboring states are creating initiatives and legislation to enable and encourage solar and wind power. Will we follow, or will we cling to what we are used to?

The final transition I want to mention today seems trivial compared to the transitions to vote-by-mail or the energy transition, but it is important to our League. A group of CIS students from Clarion University is redesigning our local website. It is time for this change, but it's a little scary. I felt like I understood the coding behind our current website. I never even heard of Angular, which the students will be using to create the new website. But as we do, we will learn.

Working to smooth all of these transitions.
In League,
Catherine

FALL ELECTION DATES

Mon. Oct. 19	Last day to register to vote for 2020 General Election
Tues. Oct. 27	Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot
Tues. Nov. 3	General Election; polls open 7 AM to 8 PM
Tues. Nov. 3	Last day for County Boards of Elections to RECEIVE civilian absentee or mail-in ballots by 8 pm

MEET SARA WEAVER, Fall 2020 Intern

Hello, all! My name is Sara Weaver and I have the great pleasure of being the LWV's fall intern.



I am currently a senior sociology major at Clarion University and am also hoping to complete minors in anthropology and women & gender studies before it's all said and done!

On campus I am president of Sociology Club, as well as a member of the Chamber Choir, ALLIES, and the College of Arts & Sciences Dean Advisory Council. I am a Clarion County native and graduated from Keystone High School in 2011. While I'm not entirely sure what I'll be pursuing after graduating from CU, I do intend to go to grad school at some point and am considering public policy as a potential route. When I'm not working at Walmart in Seneca, I love spending time outdoors, which I now get to do with my recently rehomed pup, Cali, or sipping some coffee and reading or doing homework at Michelle's. A fun fact about me is that I lived in Brisbane, Australia for almost two years.

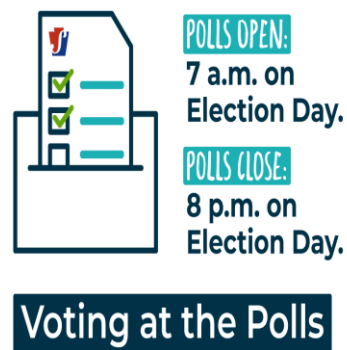
I'm really looking forward to working with all of you this semester and those of you whom I've already met have been incredibly welcoming, so thank you! I'll be working on researching issues for our Facebook page, gaining insight into what kind of attention civic engagement is getting in local classrooms, as well as looking into ways to promote voting among college students despite the pandemic's obstacles.

I'm very glad to be here!

Sara

THREE WAYS TO VOTE: Voting During a Pandemic: What are Your Options?

While there is no convenient time for a global pandemic, enduring one in a presidential election year here in the U.S. is certainly less than ideal. In true 2020 fashion, however, here we are. Covid-19 has created a sea of new challenges for us, and how to ensure that our citizens can safely vote is one such example. Thanks to the [voting reforms of Act 77](#) that passed the Pennsylvania legislature in late 2019, we have several options available to those of us who reside in the commonwealth in order to be able to do just that. Let's take a look!



Option one, of course, is to vote in person at one's polling place. Any potential voters must be [registered](#) by Monday, October 19th - this goes for all voting options listed here - and voters can do so online or by mail. Anyone seeking to check for updates on their polling place can do so [here](#). Polls will open at 7am and close at 8 pm, as usual.

As a side note, **Pennsylvania is currently in need of poll workers**. Sound like something you'd be interested in? Sign up or find out more information [here](#).

Option two is voting by absentee ballot. To vote by absentee ballot in PA, you need a valid qualifying reason to apply. Those who may apply include college students not registered at their school address, those who will not be in their voting district due to work or travel, persons with a disability, those serving in the armed forces, [or individuals who meet one of several other qualifiers](#). Those who need to vote by absentee ballot must be [registered to vote](#) before they apply. Applications are due by 5 pm on October 27th, and ballots must be **received by or delivered to** your [county election office](#) by 8 pm November 3rd. A special note here is that those who qualify for the absentee ballot should do so rather than voting by mail, which is our final option to explore.



SUBMIT APPLICATION BY:
5 p.m. the Tuesday
before Election Day.

RETURN BALLOT BY:
8 p.m. on
Election Day.

Voting by Absentee Ballot

Option three: One of the major reforms of [Act 77](#) was to allow PA citizens to vote by mail. Anyone who does not qualify for an absentee ballot may choose to vote by mail; those who do qualify should vote by absentee ballot. The deadline to apply for a mail-in application is October 27th; however, many organizations suggest that individuals should send in their ballots by this date and recommend giving the ballot 14 days to be counted. This was suggested even before the [growing concerns over the USPS emerged](#). This would mean that the ballot itself would have to be mailed or submitted by October 20th and that individuals should apply before this date. Applications are already being accepted and [voters can print them out online or request one by mail](#). Upon acceptance of an application, your county election office will send you your ballot. Like an absentee ballot, however, a mail-in ballot can be submitted to your county election office by 8 pm November 3rd if you fail to mail it in time. Or, if you mailed your ballot and have concerns as to whether it made it - [though, you are able to register to track the status of your ballot](#) - you can also vote via a provisional ballot at your polling place if they do not have record of your mail-in ballot.



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Voting by Mail-in Ballot

And that's a wrap! Now, let's get ready to vote. ---Submitted by Sara Weaver, Intern

100th ANNIVERSARY/EQUALITY DAY

The end of August marks the 100 year anniversary of the adoption of the 19th Amendment, opening the democratic process to millions of women. On Wednesday, August 26th, we celebrated Women's Equality Day, created by President Richard Nixon 47 years ago to raise awareness about the importance of gender equality and recognize the sacrifices made by the suffragists.

The suffragists knew that our democracy is strengthened by increased access to the ballot box and that voting is the most powerful act a citizen can make. As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the passage of the right to vote for women, the League of Women Voters, founded just months before the passage of the 19th amendment, is also celebrating our 100th anniversary as an organization working to secure voting rights for every eligible American. One of most powerful acts a citizen can make is to vote! In honor of Equality Day, the League of Women Voters of Clarion County urges citizens to learn about important details and deadlines concerning voting this fall. If you need additional information about how to register to vote, check your registration status, or where to cast your vote, VOTE411.org has the answers.



Election Day is your opportunity to support your community and to have a say in our future. As we commemorate Women's Equality Day, take this opportunity to encourage others to start the voter registration process by visiting VOTE411.org. They can use the same site closer to election day to learn about the issues and candidates on the ballot.

This is a great time to commit to getting others to participate in our democratic process and to have their voice heard. Encourage everyone you know to vote!!

---Submitted by Donna Poljanec

COMMUNITY SOLAR UPDATE

A growing number of people are interested in getting their electricity from solar photovoltaic panels. Reasons vary from environmental to financial. One way is to put PV panels on your own rooftop, farm, or business. Unfortunately, the on-site method works for fewer than 30% of households. Community solar would expand the number of households that could benefit from an investment in solar power.

In community solar, participants—whether property owners or not—can subscribe to a portion of an offsite solar project and receive credit on their electricity bill for the power produced, just as if the panels were on their own roofs.

At this point, Pennsylvania does not have legislation that would allow community solar. State Rep. Aaron Kaufer (R-Luzerne) is the prime sponsor of [HB 531](#) that would enable community solar. Despite having about 90 cosponsors, this legislation has been locked in committee since February 2019.

If HB 531 is not voted out of Committee, Rep Kaufer, in a [townhall webinar](#), explains his plan to amend a water utility bill already voted out of committee to get this legislative change. Kaufer describes his legislation as a lifeline to small farmers. He also claims, “Estimates are that 2 billion dollars of investments are waiting for this enabling policy change.”

Farmers could benefit from a steady stream of lease payments from a community solar installation. The Pennsylvania Farm Bureau supports Community Solar and Penn State Cooperative Extension has held a number of programs to help landowners understand the issues in solar leasing. Dr. Sarah Mills in one of those [webinars](#), extrapolating from wind energy development, explains that while distributed solar (residential or small scale community solar) can be installed on any suitable location, utility scale solar, usually sited on acres of marginal or co-use farm land, must be on an upgraded utility line or adjacent to a substation. The larger utility scale solar installations are still financially viable if they are 2-3 miles from a substation.

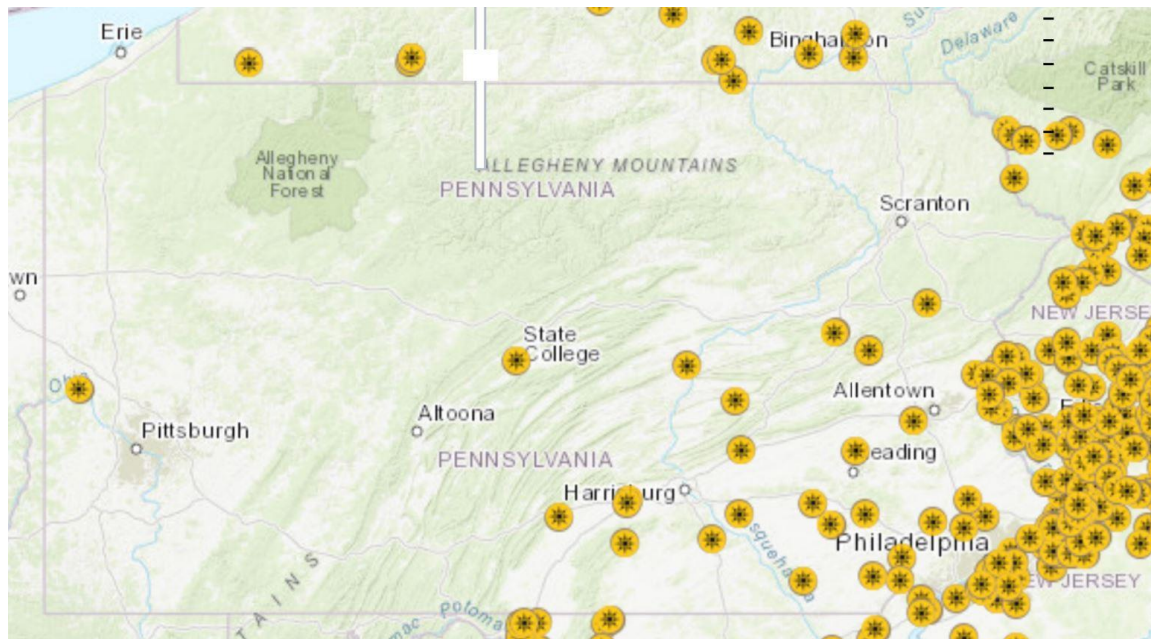
Solar Installations can also generate considerable local property tax. The lower tax rates in regions like ours should give us an advantage in attracting these investments. However, looking at the map, the entire northwestern part of PA is empty.

Detractors of solar claim that Pennsylvania doesn't get enough sun to make solar practical. However, in a report called [Finding Pennsylvania's Solar Future](#), a team of experts assembled by Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection Energy Programs Office concluded that Pennsylvania could generate 10% of its electricity from solar by 2030. Another issue is that intermittent sources like sun and wind require energy storage. To

solve that problem, infrastructure for grid storage is under construction. Wood Mackenzie, a natural resource business consulting company, [predicts](#) total U.S. storage installations will double this year and nearly triple in 2021.

When Rep Kaufer introduced HB 531, 18 states already had some form of community solar. There are now 30 states. Although solar power currently produces a relatively small percentage of Pennsylvania's electricity, it has the potential to make a much larger contribution if we create the right laws and incentives.

Map (created at eia.gov) of Utility Scale Solar Installations



2020 NATIONAL CONVENTION REPORT

Report on the 2020 LWVUS National Convention

The 54th National LWVUS Convention met virtually in three phases. Caucuses met from June 22-24, there was a pre-convention program on June 25, and the plenary sessions were held on June 26-27. 1400 delegates registered for the convention. Although there were some hiccups with the online platform, Convention was an impressive coordination with approximately 1250 delegates in attendance on both plenary days all linked together on Zoom.

For general information on the virtual convention, please visit:

<https://www.lwv.org/2020Convention>.

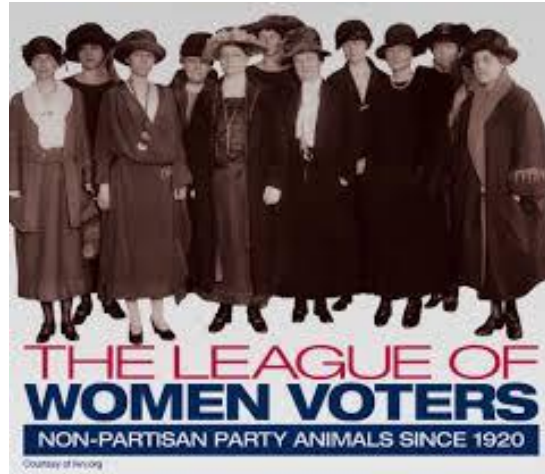
Pre-convention Caucuses: Links to recordings of some of the caucuses at the LWVUS Convention website: <https://www.lwv.org/league-management/council-convention/2020-convention-virtual-caucuses-and-info-sessions>. Links to caucus recordings are also included at the end of this Voter, including some caucuses that are available at the LWVUS site.

A few pre-convention caucus sessions stood out for being informative and particularly relevant. In the **Healthcare Caucus**, we learned that there is a LWV national networking group “Healthcare Reform for the U.S.” (HCR4US), which can be reached through its **Google Group** to sign up for regular emails and zoom meeting invitations. They have launched a new YouTube channel, you can watch recent videos and also a video of the caucus at the national convention: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcZAtO9WGvetEyK84oRWj2Q>

The extremely popular caucus **Making Democracy Work in the Criminal Justice System** is worthy of perusal. Good ideas were presented on how the League can help bridge the gap between communities and policing/government. Also, a case study for restoring the voting rights of formerly incarcerated citizens was explored.

- A recording of the caucus video is available here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TqQhhRXq8hQ&feature=youtu.be> The caucus agenda with resources and handouts is in this Google document: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qeaciSHnhY2TvkvXl-bR_FeMBAAbv6Iz6LcDjU8LE8/edit#. A lengthy Department of Justice report that presents essential information on 21st century policing can be found under Additional Resources on page 3 of the Google document.
- The caucus reminded us that many Leagues reached consensus on criminal justice matters after the 2015 national convention; LWVPA’s position can be read here <https://www.palwv.org/s/LWVPA-Position-on-Criminal-Justice.pdf>.

- Finally, LWVUS is a supporter of HR 7120, “George Floyd Justice in Policing Act” which passed the US House and was sent to the Senate; among other things, the legislation holds all law enforcement officials accountable for their actions, ends “qualified immunity” for police officers, ends racial and religious profiling, establishes uniform policies for the use of force, mandates data collection on police encounters, bans chokeholds and “no knock” warrants, limits military equipment on American streets, requires body-worn cameras and classifies lynching as a hate crime (thereby making lynching open to Federal resources for investigations and prosecutions).



National Program for 2020-2022

An important goal of the convention was to adopt the **National Program for 2020-2022**. The delegates voted to:

- **Retain all current LWVUS positions** in the areas of representative government, international relations, natural resources and social policy (1157 yay, 25 nay).
- **Approve the 2020-2022 Campaign for Making Democracy Work®:** ensuring a free, fair and accessible electoral system for all eligible voters by focusing on Voting Rights, Improving Elections and advocacy for the National Popular Vote Compact, Campaign Finance/Money in Politics and Redistricting and to continue to work on urgent issues: Climate Change, the Equal Rights Amendment, Health Care, Gun Safety, Abolition of the Electoral College and Immigration (1139 yay, 30 nay).
- **Add abolition of the Electoral College by Constitutional amendment** as a LWVUS action focus for the 2020-2022 biennium (681 yay, 458 nay). This was controversial because although the LWVUS supports the abolition of the Electoral College, it supports the National Popular Vote (NPV) Interstate Compact as a means to ensure that the presidential candidate who wins the popular vote becomes president because it would not require a Constitutional amendment. For detailed information about the NPV, visit <https://www.nationalpopularvote.com/>

Concurrences and Resolutions

Delegates approved two **concurrences**.

- **Transfer of Federal Public Land.** This position on the transfer of federal public land was proposed by the New Mexico LWV and is included in full at the end of this report. Although some delegates argued against this consensus on the grounds that the League should focus on voting issues, it passed with 885 yay and 207 nay votes. This establishes set of principles for Leagues to take quick action if their federal public lands are threatened by their state governments or the federal government. See <https://www.lwvnm.org/studies/2017/publiclands/> for more information.
- **Voter Representation/Electoral Systems.** This concurrence supports electoral systems at each level of government that encourage participation, are verifiable, auditable and enhance representation for all voters. This concurrence strengthens our belief in representative government with principles that ensure electoral systems are representative, accountable and responsive so that political manipulation including gerrymandering are checked. Access to voting is a great focus, as is the promotion of sincere voting over strategic voting. Further, it is also essential to ensuring that those in under-represented populations have access to vote. Leagues will be able to use this position in future to support/oppose federal or state legislation and to propose/evaluate electoral systems; local leagues will be able to propose/support suitable election methods in voting rights lawsuits when a protected group is under-represented by the current system. The position in full is available at the end of this report and at <https://www.lwv.org/sites/default/files/2020-05/2020%20CONCURRENCE%20FINAL%20VERSION.pdf>. The concurrence passed with 1064 yay and 79 nay votes.

Delegates approved three **resolutions**.

- We resolve that the LWVUS reaffirms our commitment to **Immigration reform**, for efficient, expeditious immigrant entry into the United States. The League stands in solidarity with immigrants and our immigrant rights community partners. Congress must take immediate action to pass common sense, fair immigration policies that end the crisis at our borders, end the separation of families, ensure their health and safety, and provide a clear path to citizenship, including DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) young people (1,092 yay, 12 nay). See <http://lwvor.org/council-resolution-immigration/> for more information.
- We Resolve First that the League advocates **against systemic racism in the justice system** and, at a minimum, for preventing excessive force and brutality by law enforcement. We also call for prompt actions by all League members to advocate within every level of government to eradicate systemic racism, and the harm that it causes; We Resolve Second, That the League help our elected officials and all Americans recognize these truths to be self-evident; that Black, Indigenous and all people of color (BIPOC)

deserve equal protection under the law; and that we demand solutions for the terrible wrongs done, so that regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, disability, and gender identity or sexual orientation we may truly become a nation “indivisible, with liberty and justice for all” (1094 yay, 32 nay).

- Resolved, that the LWVUS calls for an immediate, wide-scale, mobilization by the United States, to **restore, protect and fund an ecologically sustainable environment and climate**, based on an interrelated approach that is environmentally sound, science based, just and equitable, dedicated to adequately addressing the scale and speed of the global climate change emergency (1,091 yay, 21 nay).

The purpose of the Convention was also to present the budget, debate/vote over the proposed bylaws amendments (made by the LWVUS Bylaws Committee) and vote over the slate of officers for 2020-2022. The slate of officers was elected by a vote 1100 yay, 19 nay. You can see the newly elected [LWVUS Board of Directors HERE](#).

Budget highlights:

Delegates voted to leave the PMP (per member payment) amount of \$32 for the next 2 years (1,115 yay, 27 nay votes). Although they anticipate less PMP revenue and donations due to COVID 19, LWVUS has a healthy budget with reserves a-plenty. The 2020-22 biennium budget includes costs for redevelopment of the software that powers key sections of the VOTE411 website and technology advancements needed to further advance the goals outlined in the Transformation Roadmap and strategic goals. Budget was voted and accepted by delegates with 1,123 yay and 14 nay votes. To ensure the continuation of critical mission-related work, they plan to use excess reserves during this period of economic uncertainty. For more detail see <https://www.lwv.org/ProposedBudgets>. Both LWVUS and LWVEF budgets include planned drawdowns from reserves. [Find the Budget Summary for FY21-22 here](#).

Bylaws changes:

- The first bylaws amendment that was passed (750 yay, 37 nay votes) places **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion** principles on par with the LWVUS’s non-partisan political party policy, so from now on the defining attributes of the League embrace both diversity and non-partisanship.
- The second bylaws amendment that passed (989 yay, 101 nay votes) made the **PMP waiver permanent for students** 16 years and older of accredited institutions, full or part time; students are also voting members
- The other two bylaws that were accepted have to do with **risk**. One detailed that when a League with 501 (c)(3) status disbands it must follow state/fed/local laws (passed 1031 yay, 22 nay) and the other indicated that if a board member of the LWVUS does not fulfill her/his duties they may be removed from office by a 2/3 vote of the board of directors (passed 1000 yay, 66 nay).

- A bylaws amendment that did not pass (643 yay, 369 nay) would have eliminated the Associate category of membership

Impact Report:

Achievements that the LWV accumulates over the 2018-20 biennium are impressive when taken in full account. To see particulars of the report please visit: <https://www.lwv.org/league-management/council-convention/2018-20-biennium-impact-report> Some particular moments are impressive. LWV pressured to take the citizenship question off the census and SCOTUS blocked the question from appearing on the census. LWV launched People Powered Fair Maps a year ago with nearly 387,611 engaged in this programming; a relaunch will happen soon with new programming. LWV filed or joint filed 75 cases this biennium to challenge voter suppression laws/practices. Student membership led to LWV growth by 243% since the PMP has been waived for students, and we have now 64,999 total membership. In terms of millions of voters impacted by LWV advocacy, the report estimates 12.7 million people were exposed through VOTE411 or local league activities.

Attending convention was a humbling experience as we were in the company of so many League members who were actively engaged in the hard work of ensuring that democracy works for all of us. It was an honor to represent our local League at the national level in such a fashion.

---Submitted by Tabassam Shah and Pamela Hufnagel

LWVUS Position on Transfer of Federal Public Lands (also LWVNM's position as adopted in 2019)

The League believes that federal public lands should benefit all Americans. The lands should remain under the jurisdiction of the federal government and be managed according to the Multiple-Use Sustained-Yield policy. We support improvements in management and regulation.

Federal law allows for the sale or exchange of federal lands if it is in the public interest. Prior to any transfer, a comprehensive assessment that covers the following issues should be performed:

1. environmental analysis, including air and water quality, biodiversity, endangered and threatened species
2. health impacts
3. environmental justice
4. suitability of proposed land use
5. subsurface resources
6. financial/economic impacts

7. cultural resources
8. public access
9. management for fire and other natural disasters
10. tribal consultation.

The League is opposed to the sale of federal lands to private entities except for small tracts surrounded by nonfederal lands.

The League is opposed to the transfer of subsurface rights to the state or other entities. Any development of subsurface rights on federal land should benefit all Americans.

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Voter Representation/ Electoral Systems Position FINAL VERSION

Adopted via Concurrence at the LWVUS Convention 2020

Position in Brief:

Support electoral systems at each level of government that encourage participation, are verifiable and auditable and enhance representation for all voters.

Position in Full:

LWVUS promotes an open governmental system that is representative, accountable and responsive. We encourage electoral methods that provide the broadest voter representation possible and are expressive of voter choices.

Whether for single or multiple winner contests, the League supports electoral methods that:

- Encourage voter participation and voter engagement
- Encourage those with minority opinions to participate, including under-represented communities
- Are verifiable and auditable
- Promote access to voting
- Maximize effective votes/minimize wasted votes
- Promote sincere voting over strategic voting
- Implement alternatives to plurality voting
- Are compatible with acceptable ballot-casting methods, including vote-by-mail

(LWVUS, CO, ME, OR, CA, MN, MA, FL, NC, OK, SC, VT, WA, Santa Monica) *

The LWVUS believes in representative government. The League supports electoral systems that elect policymaking bodies—legislatures, councils, commissions, and boards—that proportionally reflect the people they represent. We support systems that inhibit political manipulation (e.g. gerrymandering).

The LWVUS supports enabling legislation to allow local jurisdictions to explore alternative electoral methods, as well as supporting state election laws allowing for more options at both the state and local levels. With the adoption of any electoral system, the League believes that education of the voting public is important and funding for startup and voter education should be available. We encourage a concerted voter education process.

(LWVUS, AZ, CA, OR, SC, WA) *

End of Statement

* All language from LWVUS Principles and multiple State positions



Our Turn

2020 Convention LINKS—League of Women Voters of the U.S.

LWVUS Website:

General Information about the virtual convention: <https://www.lwv.org/2020Convention>

Links to recordings of caucuses at LWVUS Convention website:

<https://www.lwv.org/league-management/council-convention/2020-convention-virtual-caucuses-and-info-sessions>

If you would like to go straight to the recordings and other available materials, use the links below:

- **Voting Rights Across the Lifespan from LWV of Boston (MA)** [View Recording Here](#) (Password: 3a!A7J92)
- **Build Your Own Youth Vote: Get the Tools to Empower Youth Voice** LWV of Anchorage (AK) [View the Recording Here](#); Additional resources:

- Planning Workbook:
 - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/15IeC2Gnl3Ym9YnTRTe2rndyS0oSkl7CM/view?usp=sharing>
- Planning Tool Full Page Slides:
 - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JMQ2fH6Yt9VX9nCC9zHsHJRXiNCcFe95/view?usp=sharing>
- Facebook Info:
 - AnchorageYouthVote
 - Private Group: Build Your Own Youth Vote
- Additional Resources (dynamic list that will be updated/added to regularly):
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KBhH_ptoyeX5MkMw_6bi8nPun9PwPlk3RMb8xnn5eUk/edit?usp=sharing
 - Youth Vote's Videos and PSAs
 - <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1PW62GS-UVnT7BGBIISoSPuCcKtcvoxRS?usp=sharing>
- **How We Can Foster Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging in the League**
LWV of Arlington (VA) [View Recording Here](#)
- **Introducing ClubExpress for Local Leagues** [View Recording Here](#)
- **Using the Power of Music to GOTV** For a preview visit: www.perfect36themusical.com
- **Introducing ClubExpress for State Leagues** [View Recording Here](#)
- **Youth Voter Registration and Education Programs** LWV of Fairfax Area (VA) and LWV of Tennessee Valley (AL)
 - Watch this two minute video of the LWVFA high school program: bit.ly/LWVFAirfax_FCPS_MountVernonHS. See also www.lwv-fairfax.org and www.lwv-fairfax.org/hchallenge and www.lwv-fairfax.org/hsvr-faqs
 - See www.lwvtnv.org and High School Mock Election bit.ly/LWVTNV_Mock_Election
- **Engaging Non-Voters & Seldom Voters in Lowest Turnout Precincts** LWV of Port Washington-Manhasset (NY); This was live-streamed on Facebook, but the video link may be broken. [Go to <https://www.facebook.com/portwashingtonmanhasset/> to try it.] The following summary was written by Carole Weber of the LWV of Glenview/Glencoe, IL [<https://lwvglens.org/lwv-us-convention-2020/>]:
 - Participants briefly shared their (mostly) successful efforts in engaging non-voters. Organizers promised to send a list of these efforts to meeting participants. Value to/Ideas for LWVGG:
- Several participants from IL (Naperville, Arlington Hgts, and Highland Park/Highwood [most recently — and VERY enthusiastic]) explained their very successful Stroll to the Polls, using high school students to canvas low-turnout areas, distribute door hangers, discuss voter reg, etc. One good reminder for anyone approaching someone's home is to knock then step back — to avoid looking like they are rushing the door.
- Gather voting records, if available, from the past and send postcards to those who have not voted in the last few elections.
- Include a voter registration QR code on posters, postcards, or door hangers.
- **Making Democracy Work in the Criminal Justice System**
LWV of San Francisco (CA), LWV of Los Angeles (CA) [View Recording Here](#)

- Slides can viewed and downloaded [here](#).
- Additional resources can be found [here](#).
- **America's Choices in the Health Care Debate - Defining the Priorities, Understanding the Costs, and What We Can Do** LWV Arizona, LWV Louisiana, LWV Massachusetts, LWV Vermont, LWV Washington, and Local Leagues: LWV Piedmont Triad (NC), LWV Amherst (MA); LWV Harvard (MA); LWV NW Maricopa County and Metro Phoenix (AZ); LWV Larimer County (CO); LWV Diablo Valley (CA); LWV Berkeley, Albany, & Emeryville (CA); LWV Ann Arbor Area (MI); LWV Eastern Upper Peninsula (MI); Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcZAtO9WGvetEyK84oRWj2Q>
 - **Presented by The Health Care Reform Network of the League of Women Voters**
 - For more information and resources (including the LWV Position on Health Care), visit the LWV Health Care Toolkit: www.lwv.org/league-management/other-issues-tools/toolkit-healthcare
 - For questions or for information about follow-up events, please use this Contact form:
 - <https://tinyurl.com/Contact-LWV-HealthCare>
 - or Email Barbara Pearson (bzpearson@gmail.com)
- **How to Host a Successful Candidate Forum** LWV of Illinois [View the Recording Here](#); Other Materials:
 - [Caucus Chat Log](#)
 - [Caucus Q&A](#)
- **Concurrence: Voter Representation/Electoral Systems – Make Our 100th Anniversary Count!** LWV Colorado, LWV Pennsylvania, LWV Maine, LWV Utah, LWV South Carolina, LWV Wisconsin, LWV Montana, LWV Tennessee, LWV Arizona, LWV Boulder County CO, LWV Vermont, LWV Rogue Valley Oregon, LWV Sacramento CA, LWV of Saratoga County NY, LWV Washington [View Recording Here](#) [Also <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uU3vQODVavI> with different Q&A]
- **Think Globally, Act Locally** LWVUS UN Observers [View Recording Here](#)
- **Rebuilding Trust with Each Other to Save Our Civil Society**
League's Role in Seeking Common Ground Within Our Communities LWV of Dallas (TX), LWV of Orange Durham Chatham (NC), LWV of Radnor (PA), LWV of San Jose/Santa Clara (CA), LWV Ventura Co. (CA), LWV of Cupertino-Sunnyvale (CA), LWV of San Luis Obispo (CA), LWV of Metro St. Louis (MO), LWV of Palo Alto (CA), LWV of Los Altos Mountain View (CA) [View Recording Here](#) (Program Starts 6 minutes into recording)
 - <https://video.rmpbs.org/video/divided-we-fall-unity-without-tragedy-8pxtqc/>
 - https://www.ted.com/talks/eric_liu_how_to_revive_your_belief_in_democracy
 - https://www.ted.com/talks/robb_willer_how_to_have_better_political_conversations
- **Youth Voter Movement** LWV of Fremont, Newark, Union City; View Recording [Here](#)

- **Climate Emergency - All Hands On Deck**
LWV of California, LWV of Massachusetts, LWV of Oregon, LWV of Evanston (IL), LWV of Lee County (FL); View Recording [Here](#)
- **Privacy and Cybersecurity Today** LWV Of Oregon View Recording [Here](#)
- **Climate Migration, Immigration and Human Rights**
LWV of Oregon, LWV of Fairfax Area (VA), LWV of Orange Coast (CA)
 - **What you need to Know!:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XcngG4DvdDI>
 - Additional material- Climate Immigration Handout and other resources from LWV of Oregon: <http://lwvor.org/climatecaucus/>
- **Getting Involved With Lobby Corp** View the slides [here](#) and the chat [here](#).
- **Introduction to BoardSource** View the recording [here](#).
- **National Popular Vote Task Force Information** [here](#); Resources may be added later; See also this [article](#)

Local League Websites

- **Abolish the Electoral College** LWV of Illinois; Their caucus PowerPoint is available from Pam; [resources](#)
- **Privacy and Cybersecurity Caucus:**
 - Privacy & Cybersecurity Caucus slides (PDF): <http://lwvor.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Cybersecurity-Prezi-6-26-2020.pdf>
 - Privacy & Cybersecurity One-page handout (PDF): <http://lwvor.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Caucus-participant-email-advance-reminder-2020-06-21.pdf>
 - Privacy & Cybersecurity Caucus YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GtqXGgW5M0A>
 - Bonus – Caucus interactive poll word cloud!: <http://lwvor.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/PCS-Caucus-Word-Cloud.png>
- **Transfer of Federal Public Lands** LWV New Mexico
<https://www.lwvnm.org/studies/2017/publiclands/>
- **Our Time is Up: Climate Emergency;** The League of Women Voters of Arapahoe and Douglas Counties proposed a resolution that calls for an immediate, wide-scale, mobilization by the United States that restores, protects, and funds an ecologically sustainable environment and climate, based on an interrelated approach that is environmentally sound, science-based, just and equitable, dedicated to appropriately addressing the speed and scale of the global climate change emergency. [The delegates at the convention passed this resolution.]
- **Voter Girl;** [slides](#); [caucus video](#); [website](#)

- **Civics Education;** For information, please visit the CMI website at www.cmi.org or the League of Women Voters of Greenwich Civics Resources page at lwvg.org/CivicsEducation.html. If you would like to dive deeper into the details of CMI's partnership with the League and its scope and impact around the country, please consider this more in-depth set of documents, which you can share with school administrators and teachers: <http://lwvg.org/files/lwvganewwaytoteachcivics.pdf>
<https://lwvglens.org/lwv-us-convention-2020/>