THE VOTER

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF CENTRAL YAVAPAI

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Mark Your Calendar!

LWVCYC Annual Meeting

Saturday, May 7th

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

The LWVCYC is actively recruiting for the next Board!

We need YOUR help to Lead our League!

Hi Members,

I'm Tina Boden-Blake and I'm the current Secretary and Chair of the Nominating Committee and the Chair of the Budget Committee.

I wanted to let you know that you will be receiving a phone call this week about the following. If it is easier to respond via email, you can do that as well. I look forward to talking to you soon.

- 1. Are you willing to help with the Nominating Committee by calling members? I'm asking for two members to assist me in calls and attend two meetings. Total time to help would be 4 to 5 hours?
- 2. 3. Are you interested in being on the Board? We need your support and leadership. Maybe a committee interests you? Do you have anyone to nominate? Please let me know your thoughts.
- 3. Are there any programs or activities you would like to see in the future?
- 4. Any other comments or questions about the League of Women Voters of Center Yavapai County?

Thank you for your time and supporting the cause.

Tina Boden-Blake

RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOARD MEMBERS

The Board is responsible for the wellbeing and smooth functioning of the League. The authority for the League's operation rests with the Board whose members together make the decisions. Board members assume specific duties, but each also shares a fiduciary responsibility for the organization.

The Board shall:

- 1. Carry out overall planning and decision-making
- 2. Support membership and finance activities
- 3. Represent and interpret the League in the community
- 4. Safeguard the League's reputation for non-partisanship
- 5. Review annually the structure of the organization and the functioning of each directorship and propose changes as required
- 6. Support the Nominating Committee with candidate recruitment and analysis.

Here is an example of the Budget for LWVCYC

The Treasurer fills out the actual budget from the current past year, which provides a template for the upcoming year's budget committee to put a budget together for the next year. (July – June)

LWVCYC Budget 2017-2018									
2016-2017 BUDGET	2016-17 BUDGET	Actual @ Apr 30			2017-2018 PROPOSED BUDGET		17-18 DGET	Actual	
Income 2016-17					PROPOSED 2017-18 INCOME				
Individual Dues 40 x \$60	\$ 2,400	\$	2,310		Individual Dues 50 x \$60	\$	3,000		
Households 8 x \$90	\$ 540	\$	690		Households 2nd member 8 x \$30	\$	720		
Friends 6 x \$50	\$ 300	\$	50		Friends 1 x \$50	\$	50		
Non-Restricted Income - In Kind	\$ 150	\$	345		Non-Restricted Income - In Kind	\$	150		
Non-Restricted Income Contributions	\$ -	\$	130		Non-Restricted Income Contributions	\$	_		
Ed Fund Transfer In	\$ 300	\$	-		Ed Fund Transfer In	\$	_		
Fundraising	\$ 200	\$	905		Fundraising	\$	400		
Fundraising - In Kind	\$ -	\$	291		Fundraising - In Kind	\$	_		
Event Income	\$ 600	\$			Event Income	\$	270	<u>\$ -</u>	
INCOME TOTAL 2016-17	\$ 4,490	\$	4,722		PROPOSED 2017-18 INCOME	\$	4,590	<u>\$ -</u>	
EXPENSE 2016-17					PROPOSED 2017-18 EXPENSE				
ADMINISTRATION 2016-17					PROPOSED ADMINISTRATION 2017-18				
Convention/Council	\$ 300	\$	380		Convention/Council	\$	300		

VOTER SERVICES: A CLARION CALL TO ACTION

Get Out the Vote (GOTV) and Voter Registration Opportunities

The League of Women Voters has been defending election integrity, voter education, access, and registration for over 102 years. Never have so many forces worked to undermine the will of the voters, cast doubt on our elections and limit access to voting. This is no accident; it is a well-organized, well-funded, coordinated attack on our democracy.

You can protect our country from these wrongheaded forces by joining the League of Women Voters. We are well-positioned in the fight to preserve our elections and make sure that the "consent of the governed" is upheld in our country. This mission is critical. It's time for you to move from reading about it to taking action about it.

The League of Women Voters is an excellent place for you to Defend Democracy and get out the vote. We have several initiatives for members to volunteer and help protect our most basic freedom, the right to vote, which includes access to voting.

First, we are expanding our voter education platform: VOTE411.or. This will allow us to reach a broader audience, conduct candidate questionnaires, and provide information on elections and ballot initiatives and referendums. We also have our Defend Democracy Education Series that will help voters understand changes in voting laws and be fully prepared to participate in the upcoming elections. Both efforts have openings for you to get involved and make a difference.



Arizona's Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) has drawn new voting districts for elections for the next 10 years. Beginning with the November 2022 elections, you will be in new, renumbered congressional and legislative districts.

What does that mean for you and Arizona? Become an informed voter. Hear from the experts about our new districts, and where to find information about your new district.

A panel of county recorders will discuss how they are dealing with this major change and help the public to understand the changes. One speaker will briefly review the work of the IRC as a reminder of how we got to this point. Reporter and commentator Jeremy Duda, who closely followed the redistricting process, will give his views on redistricting and what it all means for Arizona for the next ten years. We will wrap up with information on how to get ready for the upcoming elections.



SIGN UP TO ATTEND

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6 ABcN-TZTfWQqbLTRQYe-A

Deadline March 1!

Public Policy Review or Program Planning?

For the past 100 years, the League has called all the National Public Policy Positions the League's "Program" – so we have held "Program Planning" once a year to have members review our positions to see if they are still current, need updating or are just out of date and no longer relevant. In the last two years, LWVAZ made the decision to change the terminology to Public Policy Positions – so, if you see or hear "program planning" in the PowerPoint presentation – we are getting used to calling in Public Policy Review!

The LWVCYC was founded in 1995 and became officially recognized by National in 1998. Local members over the years participated in the studies and public policy statements LWVCYC has kept, updated or amended over the years.

We haven't figured out a way to get the checklist back from everyone, so please just email LWVCYC@gmail.com with your selections from the checklist this week! Thank you.



Please check your e-mail for the PowerPoint and Cheat Sheet to Submit your Opinion on the Local and National Public Policy Positions and platform by February 29th!



Local & National Public Policy Position Review

February 2022

League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County Public Policy Positions

Meeting Basic Senior Needs

LWVCYC Membership Adopted 2002-2003, Revised 2007

Summary Statement: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports the continuance and introduction of programs and services for seniors in the areas of health, care giving, jobs, recreation/socialization, transportation, and affordable housing to be provided by private and public entities, the goal of these programs and services should be to pursue coordination, build coalitions, educate the public, and to oversee and monitor the process and results.

Position: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports:

- 1. Adequate services in the areas of health promotion and wellness, mental health, dental health, and palliative care, accessible to all seniors.
- 2. Adequate funding for Medicare, AHCCCS and ALTCS to cover comprehensive health services.
- 3. Medicare funding to be equally distributed between rural and urban areas.
- 4. Incentives and funding for recruitment, training, and retention of health care providers by private and/or public institutions.
- Adequate home and community-based caregiving services and programs to ensure the safety of patients and the support for and oversight of care givers.
- Programs assisting seniors to update and enhance job and business skills, providing incentives for employers to utilize, train and incorporate seniors into the workforce, and for seniors to engage in entrepreneurial pursuits.
- 7. Adequate funds to develop community centers for seniors as focal points to provide information/referral services, socialization and recreation, nutrition, education counseling, and other professional services, physical services programs, and/or transportation to community services not on site.
- 8. An adequately funded, reliable public and/or private regional transit system.
- A regional housing agency providing and administering affordable housing for seniors by planning, developing new housing, and rehabilitating existing housing units.
- A continuous source of funding for housing and home repair to meet the needs of low-income elderly, rural residents.
- 11. A central information referral system.

WATER

LWVCYC Membership Adopted 1999 and Revised in 2006

Summary Statement:

The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports the effective use of water and effluent, controlled development, and use of alternative water sources (all sources other than ground water) increased water conservation, education, and cooperation of communities in Central Yavapai County.

Position: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports:

- 1. Public and private accountability of water usage and conservation.
- Acquisition and development of water and sewage systems by local government.
- Taxes and cost reduction incentives, which result in water conservation and effluent reuse.
- 4. The study, development of alternative water sources when effective use of available effluent has been made.
- Public education that communicates the need for conservation and the results of regional water studies.
- 6. The regulation and effective use of effluent for recharge and direct public use.
- 7. Measures that stress or require water conservation in the planning and conversion of developments.
- 8. The cooperation of communities within Central Yavapai County.
- 9. The attainment of safe yield in the Prescott Active Management Area no later than 2025.

Juvenile Justice and Social Issues

LWVCYC Membership Adopted 2001

Summary Statement: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports the continuance and introduction of programs for children (birth to age 18) in the areas of health, mental health, care, and supervision that are provided by parents, public, and voluntary agencies. These programs must be funded, timely, appropriate, coordinated, available, and accessible by public transportation.

Position: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports:

- 1. Funding of all mandated health, inpatient and outpatient mental health and substance abuse programs for underinsured and uninsured children.
- 2. Preventive and treatment programs for children in health, mental health care and substance abuse that are easily accessible, timely and appropriate.
- 3. Program of parent education and involvement, both in groups and individually, providing understanding of parenting skills, health and mental health of children and youth, sex education programs, educational programs for pregnant teenagers, teen development programs and classes in parenting skills.
- 4. Employment of at least one counselor in each school to address students' needs and act as a resource to families and staff. In addition, schools are encouraged to provide sex education programs, educational programs for pregnant teenagers, teen development programs and classes in parenting skills.
- 5. Programs that provide protection and services to children. Such programs must be easily accessible by citizens and professionals, provide sufficient foster home placements for children and juveniles with different needs, enforce state laws, provide shelters for youths and stipends for older teens.
- 6. Recreational programs and after-school programs for children. In addition, teenagers must have access to locations offering information on teenage employment, community service, shelters, mentoring programs, medical services, and distribution of food.
- 7. Community diversion programs and counselors available to school, police departments and other public and voluntary agencies.
- 8. Court coordinated community programs (such as Drug Court).
- 9. Policies and programs which treat all juvenile offenders with special consideration to age-appropriate needs for mental and physical health care and treatment, safety and protection, and education with emphasis on rehabilitative services.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

LWVCYC Membership Adopted 2007

Summary Statement: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports the establishment of an affordable and accessible regional public transportation system to serve the needs of residents and visitors in Central Yavapai County.

Position: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports:

- A public transportation system, which meets the needs of "transportation dependent" residents and visitors, such as disabled, homebound, low-income workers and residents, non-driving seniors and youth. In addition, the system provides options for workers, shoppers, tourists, and students.
- 2. A public transportation system based on existing research results, environmental impact, demographics, population density, community support and cost/benefit analysis.
- 3. A regional transportation authority.
- 4. The establishment of a regional transportation system beginning with intercommunity service between the quad cities, to be followed by expansion of intracommunity service and eventually extending the intercommunity corridor within Central Yavapai County.
- 5. A transportation system which stimulates economic development through improving mobility of workforce, creating jobs, reducing traffic congestion, improving traffic safety, extending longevity of road infrastructure, increasing consumer activity, improving access to educational opportunities, attracting retirees, and enhancing community business image.
- 6. A regional public transportation system which is funded by all appropriate federal, state, and local grants and resources including use of lottery money, a dedicated tax, fare box recovery, advertisement, and public/private partnerships.
- 7. An accessible and affordable regional public transportation system, the accountability of which is reviewed periodically against updated research, environmental impact, ongoing cost/benefit analysis, ridership, and community support.
- 8. A public transportation system that is integrated with other aspects of the inter-modal transportation network, such as carpools, agency vans, bike lanes, and park and ride facilities.

WORKFORCE HOUSING

LWVCYC Membership Adopted 2006, Revised 2007

Summary Statement: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports affordable housing for the workforce that provides vital community services in the areas of education, health care, public safety, and retailing.

Position: The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County supports continuance of existing development policies and introduction of additional new development policies that result in:

- timely decisions on new development to minimize financing costs
- 2. local officials working with developers on development agreements that include incentives for diversity of zoning
- variety in housing density and a reduction of exclusionary zoning which limits buyer's choices
- 4. diversity of zoning that includes rental housing
- housing within redevelopment projects
- annexation development agreements which feature inclusive zoning
- aggressively seeking companies whose wage rates relate to housing costs in the quad-city area



League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County MEMBER WORKSHEET FOR LOCAL AND NATIONAL PUBLIC POLICY REVIEW FEBRUARY 2022

Objective:

Identify and discuss which positions should be revisited (update, restudy, or drop) and identify topics for new studies. We will start off by assuming we wish to retain all studies on both the local and state levels. Discussion is to focus on what we wish to change.

For each position statement title, use these numbers to indicate what you wish to see be changed.
1 = UPDATE 2 = RESTUDY 3 = DROP
LOCAL PUBLIC POLICY POSITIONS (readopted annually at the LWVCYC Annual Meeting)
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Workforce Housing The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports affordable housing for the workforce that provides vital community services in the areas of education, health care, public safety and retailing.
Transportation The League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County encourages and supports the establishment of an affordable and accessible regional public transportation system to serve the needs of residents and visitors in Central Yavapai County.
Recommendation for New Local Study
Describe and explain why:
Programs You Would Like Our League to Present In '22 - '23

NATIONAL PUBLIC POLICY POSITIONS (readopted every two years at National Convention)

Recommended Program: The Campaign for Making Democracy Work®

Voting Rights

Your name:

The LWVUS Board recommends that Program 2022-2024 continue the Campaign for Making Democracy Work® with Leagues throughout the country working on:

Money in Politics

Contact information:

• Improving Elections	 Redistricting
Agree or Disagree?	
Check up to 3 Topics you'd like the National League Focus of	on:
Citizen's Right to Vote	Water Resources
DC Self-Government and Full Voting	Nuclear Issues
Representation	Public Participation
Apportionment	Agriculture Policies
Redistricting	Equality of Opportunity
Money in Politics (Formerly Campaign Finance)	Employment
Selection of the President	Fair Housing
Voter Representation/Electoral Systems	Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action
Citizen's Right to Know/Citizen Participation	Pay Equity
Constitutional Amendment Proposals	Equal Rights for Women
Constitutional Conventions	Same Gender Equality
Individual Liberties	Education
Public Policy on Reproductive Choices	Federal Role in Public Education
Congress	Fiscal Policy
The Presidency	Funding of Entitlements
Privatization	Health Care
United Nations	Immigration
Trade	Meeting Basic Human Needs
Developing Countries	Income Assistance
Arms Control	Transportation
Military Policy and Defense Spending	Housing Supply
Natural Resources	Child Care
Resource Management	Early Intervention for Children at Risk
Transfer of Federal Public Lands	Violence Prevention
Air Quality	Gun Policy
Solid Waste	Urban Policy
Nuclear Waste	Death Penalty
Climate Change	Sentencing Policy
	Human Trafficking
RECOMMENDATION FOR NEW NATIONAL STUDY Describe and explain why	

IMPORTANT WEBSITE REFERENCES

LWVUS www.lwv.org

LWVAZ www.lwvaz.org

LWVCYC www.lwvcyc.org

- ★ We recommend you check out these websites
 —lots of great information to help you with
 learning about the League of Women Voters.
- ★ Our website includes current and past Voters, an Elected Official Guide and more!

We are also on Facebook and Twitter
—if you'd like to follow us!



Help us Get out the Vote for 2021!

Join the Board as Voter Service Director!

Become a Voter Registration Volunteer











LWV MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION 2021-2022

Membership in the LWV is open to any person 16 and over who subscribes to the purposes and policies of the LWVUS. Dues for 2021-2022 cover payment for local (\$15.00), state (\$13), and national (\$32.00) memberships.

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Note type of membership, and make check to "LWVCYC" - or pay online with Pay Pal at LWVCYC.org
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