

Local Women-Led Organization vs. Federated Women-Led Organization

Local Women-Led Organization	Federated Women-Led Organization
Governance Governed solely by locally adopted bylaws. Decisions are made directly by members, with leadership accountable to the local membership.	Governance Operates within a national–state–local hierarchy. Local bylaws must conform to state and national bylaws.
Bylaws Members may amend bylaws locally to reflect community needs and priorities.	Bylaws National bylaw changes automatically flow down and must be adopted by state and local clubs.
Membership & Participation Flexible membership categories with broader opportunities for meaningful participation.	Membership & Participation Membership eligibility and participation rights are defined at the national level.
Financial Control Funds raised locally remain under local control in accordance with state law and organizational bylaws.	Financial Control Per-capita dues and service charges are required. Upon dissolution, assets revert to the superior body.
Mission Continuity Continuity is preserved through local control while maintaining commitment to Republican principles and candidates.	Mission Continuity Continuity is preserved through hierarchical governance and national consistency.