

Membership Form — Mail to Address Below Along With Your Check(s)
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE PIEDMONT TRIAD (LWVPT)
1 WVCA Place, Greensboro, NC 27401

Name: _____ Ho. phone: _____ Off. phone: _____
 Address: _____ Fax: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ E-mail: _____
 Mailing address if different: _____

Type of membership — All types provide membership in the league at all levels (local, state, and national) and selected publications.
 Individual \$55 Household \$82 Full-time student \$28 Amount: _____

Contributions — I would like to make a contribution:
 To LWV operations (can be combined with the dues check) To the tax-exempt Citizens Education Fund (CEF) Amount: _____

I am interested in:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> International Relations | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Voter Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Local government | <input type="checkbox"/> Lunch programming | <input type="checkbox"/> Web page maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate calls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Human resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Action committees | <input type="checkbox"/> Web page maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant applications |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate forums |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Web site access |

Make checks for dues and unrestricted contributions payable to LWVPT. Make tax-deductible contribution checks payable to CEF.
For more information, or to inquire about reduced need-based member dues, call 274-0202, or visit our web site — www.greensboro.com/lwv

WHAT WE DO

The League of Women Voters was designed to help 20 million new voters carry out their responsibilities. Today it is a powerful nonpartisan force which helps shape public policy and promotes responsible citizen participation at all levels of government.

We are a multi-issue, grassroots organization, because we care about the many ways government affects our society.

We work for sound, reasonable solutions to today's most pressing policy challenges. And, because we speak with a nonpartisan voice, the league is heard above party politics.

You probably know about our effective and influential advocacy on critical national issues — like sane environmental policy, responsible federal fiscal policy, equitable tax laws, responsive social programs, and international cooperation.

You may also be aware that the League of Women Voters is a dynamic force for change in our local community and state. For example, over the years, the league has worked to make sure children get the education they're entitled to, that tap water is safe to drink, that affordable, decent housing is available, and that municipal, county, and state taxes are put to good use.

Voter Service

Dedicated to informed participation in government, we provide a variety of services to voters.

You may remember our voter registration drives (we might even have registered *you* to vote) and the league's hard work to get federal legislation passed which now permits citizens to register to vote when they get their drivers' licenses.

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A SHORT HISTORY

The League of Women Voters of the United States was founded in 1920. Those suffragettes who campaigned so hard for the Nineteenth Amendment recognized that the right to vote carried with it a responsibility to become informed on issues and candidates. They founded the league to promote informed and active citizen participation in government.

Over the years, the LWV has tackled many public policy issues, remaining true to its basic purposes:

- To establish positions on public policy through member agreement.
- To take action in support of those positions.
- To encourage citizen participation in federal, state, and local governments.
- To remain nonpartisan, supporting neither particular candidates nor political parties.

The League of Women Voters is organized in all 50 states and in the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The League of Women Voters of Guilford County began in 1948, the LWV of North Carolina in 1951. Guilford County merged with the LWV of Winston-Forsythe in 1999, becoming the LWV of the Piedmont Triad.

Although we keep our historic name, we have welcomed men as voting members since 1974. Any citizen 18 years of age or older, male or female, may become a voting member of the league. Associate membership is open to those younger than 18 and to noncitizens.

Each member of the LWVPT is also a member of the LWVNC and the LWVUS.
 His or her dues help support league work at all levels — national, state, and local.

DO YOU CARE ABOUT . . .

- Citizens' rights?
- Environmental protection?
- Foreign policy?
- Governmental effectiveness?
- Social policy?
- Informed voter participation?

DO YOU WANT TO . . .

- Become informed?
- Make your voice heard?
- Affect government policy?

**We invite *you* to join the
League of Women Voters.**

**Your involvement
makes a difference.**

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan political organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

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Over the years, the LWVPT has helped voters get to know candidates. We have held forums, which have allowed voters to question candidates directly and to learn of candidates' positions on issues. These candidate meetings are often televised. We have frequently published candidates' answers to league questions. In recent years, candidates' remarks can be found on our website (www.greensboro.com/lwv).

In 2000, the LWVPT planned and carried out a course, Civics 101, which was open to any resident of our community. We plan to offer this course again this year, to help residents understand county and city functions and how the courts work,

HOW WE WORK

At our annual meeting, members elect officers and select our program and study topics for the year ahead. Our board and program committees meet regularly to study issues, plan programs, and recommend action. Membership meetings are generally held monthly. We also hold special meetings (such as candidate forums) and cosponsor events on topics of community interest. All meetings are open, and visitors are welcome.

We study issues in order to develop consensus positions which allow us to take timely action on issues as they arise. The LWVPT's advocacy and actions are based on national, state, and local positions.

You don't have time right now to be actively involved with league work? Join us anyway and receive the following publications which all members receive and which will help you stay informed on important issues in our community and nation.

- LWVPT *Voter Impact* — monthly
- *The North Carolina Voter* — quarterly
- *The National Voter* — bimonthly

And, when you are able, join us for "Lunch with the League" and take part in our annual meeting when we make important decisions and elect board members.



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