# Where you can find The League of Women Voters

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#### Local LWV Committees:

Please check all of your interests.

• Voter Service Committee

Facilitates voter registration and education.Recruits deputy voter registrars. I want to be a Voter Registrar and live in: the City of Rockford \_\_\_\_, Winnebago County\_\_\_\_, Boone County\_\_\_\_.

- Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Focuses on recruitment and retention of members, record keeping, and orientation events.
- Communications \_\_\_\_\_

Promotes League events and dispenses information to the media and public, and maintains print, website, and social media.

legislation and provides education on issues for members and the public.

• Education \_\_\_\_

Studies/lobbies state and local educational issues; provides education on the issues for League members and the public.

Health Care

Studies a variety of health care delivery systems and advocates for the right affordable health care for all.

Local Government

Promotes community vision/leadership by citizens; observes government boards and councils. Arranges candidate forums.

- Environmental Issues \_\_\_\_\_ Advocates for protection and preservation of natural resources. Studies alternative energy sources.
- **Diversity** \_\_\_\_\_ Our League endeavors to resemble our area racially, culturally, socio-economically, and in education.
- Gun Violence Prevention \_\_\_\_\_ Advocates for sensible, safe, and legal weapon ownership by responsible individuals.
- Observer Corps \_\_\_\_\_
   An opportunity to observe and report on government in action.
- Fundraising \_\_\_\_ Event-planning \_\_\_\_

#### **LWVGR Membership Dues Application**

\*Membership to The League of Women Voters of Greater Rockford is open to all regardless of financial considerations, so please feel free to choose how much you can pay.

□ \$75.00 One Individual Membership at Full Rate □ \$110.00 Household Membership (Two in Same Household)\*\*

□ Young Member (35 years of age and under) \$20.00

□ New Member Introductory for First Year \$20.00

 □ \$20.00 Individual\*
 □ \$30.00 Individual\*

 □ \$40.00 Individual\*
 □ \$50.00 Individual\*

 □ \$60.00 Individual\*
 □ \$65.00 Individual\*

Annual League membership fees are due June 30 every year. You may pay online at <u>lwvgr.</u> <u>org/join/</u> or you may complete this membership form and mail with your check to:

Christina Hiltrop 2937 Reserve Court, Aurora, IL 60502-1347 Questions? billing@lwvgr.org or 815-262-6166.

 NAME

 \*\*NAME(S) OF ADDITIONAL MEMBER(S) IN HOUSEHOLD

 ADDRESS

 CITY
 ZIP CODE

 PHONE (HOME)
 PHONE (WORK/DAY)

 PHONE (CELL)
 EMAIL ADDRESS

 \*\*PHONE (CELL)
 EMAIL ADDRESS

 EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME/RELATIONSHIP

EMAIL

PHONE

#### Other available membership categories:

□ Carrie Chapman Catt \$125.00
 □ Susan B. Anthony \$150.00
 □ Elizabeth Cady Stanton \$200.00
 □ Julia Lathrop \$300.00

□ Lifetime Membership \$0.00 (Must have been a member of the League of Women Voters 50+ years)

#### **Total Membership Amount enclosed**

 Written communications sent to members rather than emailed, \$12.00 per year.
 Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_

 Additional donation to Operating Fund.
 Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_
 Dues and Operating Fund donations are not tax deductible. Please write your check to: League of Women Voters of Greater Rockford

- Additional donation to LWVGR
   Scholarship Fund. Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_\_
   Scholarship Fund donations are tax
   deductible. Please write your check to:
   Community Foundation of Northern Illinois
   (Memo: LWVGR Scholarship)
- Additional donation to
   Educational Fund. Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_
   Educational Fund donations are tax
   deductible. Please write your check to:
   The LWVIL Education Fund
   (Memo: LWV of Greater Rockford)

#### Grand Total Amount enclosed \$

When mailing this form with a <u>cash or check</u> payment please notify the treasurer with a photo of the form in an email to <u>billing@lwvgr.org</u>. Thank you!

## **League of Women Voters**

The League of Women Voters is a national nonpartisan political organization with over 1,200 local chapters in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. The League influences public policy through education and advocacy.

The League grew out of the National Women Suffrage Association, which led the 72-year drive for women's right to vote in the United States.

## The League's History

The LWV of the United States began in Chicago at the Congress Hotel on February 14, 1920, Knowing women's suffrage was inevitable, Carrie Chapman Catt urged the National Women Suffrage Association to change direction and help American women learn about the issues and "be worthy of the privilege of voting."

## **History of the LWVGR**

The League of Women Voters of Greater Rockford (LWVGR) was established in 1922, just two years after the formation of the LWV of the United States. Among the founders of the Rockford League was Julia Lathrop, the first woman to head Illinois and federal departments, a suffragist and founder of both the national and Illinois League of Women Voters. In 1926, when a discrepancy was found in the counting of votes, the League brought implemented training for local election judges, a practice which continues today.

The LWVGR responds to many facets of local, state and national interests with several action and ad hoc committees. Most members are voter registrars and several are election judges. The League is a trusted conveyor of non-partisan information.

The LWVGR utilizes traditional in-person meetings in tandem with on-line meetings and social media, website and streaming technology.

# Who May Join?

Any person, 16 or older, female or male, may join the League of Women Voters.

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## League of Women Voters is...

**Political but Non-Partisan** 

The League does not support or oppose candidates or political parties. The League does work to influence public policy through citizen education and advocacy.

Grassroots

League members themselves choose which public policy issues will be targeted for study and action.

. Multi-Issue

> The League takes action on a broad range of issuesfrom violence prevention to pollution control, campaign finance reform, and education.

• Informative

> The League registers voters, moderates candidate forums, researches, and holds conferences on key policy issues.

Influential

The League lobbies elected officials and works in coalition with others to press its agenda in Washington, Springfield, and local communities.

Interconnected

When you join, you become a member of the League of Women Voters of Greater Rockford, the Illinois League, and the League of Women Voters of the United States.

## Who joins the League?

Voters

Who want to make government more responsive and accessible.

Women and Men

Who want to influence policies that affect their community, state, and nation.

**Motivated Individuals** 

Who are interested in developing their skills in leadership, conflict resolution, lobbying and public speaking.

**Busy People** 

Who want to support a progressive public policy agenda and are looking for a lively discussion of issues.

Thinkers and Doers

Who want to find out about the hot issues in theircommunity.

Parents .

Who are concerned about the world their children will inherit.

**Concerned Citizens** 

Who want to work together to improve the quality of life in their world.



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The League of Women Voters of Greater Rockford

Defending Democracy in Winnebago and Boone Counties, Illinois Since 1922

