

Making Democracy Work! Day 2019 2020 – Amplifying Our Power Sept. 21, 2019

8:30am	Continental Breakfast	(30 minutes)
9:00am	Welcome: Ruth Stemler, LWVCO	
	People Powered Fair Maps: Maggie Bush, LWVUS	
	TABOR & Proposition CC: Speaker KC Becker, Colorado House of Representatives	
	Action Items: Toni Larson, LWVCO	
	Vision 2020: Caitlin Schneider, Colorado Fiscal Institute	
10:25am	Break/Snack	(30 minutes)
10:55am	2020 Census: Adam Bickford, State Demographers Office	
	Action Items: Toni Larson, LWVCO	
	National Popular Vote: Ted Trimpa, Trimpa Group	
	Action Items: Sylvia Bernstein, LWV Boulder County	
11:55am	Lunch	(50 minutes)
12:45pm	Get Out The Vote & NVRD: Maggie Bush, LWVUS	
	World Café Exercise: Jean McGuire, LWVCO	
	#SheIsMe Campaign: Maggie Bush, LWVUS	
	World Café Exercise: Jean McGuire, LWVCO	
	The Importance of Measurement to Prove Your Impact: Ruth Stemler, LWVCO	
	World Café Exercise: Ruth Stemler, LWVCO	
	Ballot Issues: Gerry Cummins, LWVCO	
	Final Words: Beth Hendrix, LWVCO	
3:00pm	Conclusion	

# **Guest Speakers**

## Maggie Bush

Maggie Bush is the Programs and Outreach Director for the League of Women Voters of the US and has more than a decade of political advocacy and strategic communications experience. She currently manages the League's nationwide voter registration programs, which have resulted in hundreds of thousands of voters registered in major election years. She has authored several publications and training manuals related to voting rights, voter registration and youth voter engagement. Maggie regularly provides voter engagement training to volunteer activists and allied partners nationwide.

### **KC Becker**

In the 2019 legislative session, majority Democrats in the Colorado House of Representatives voted to designate KC Becker the 59th Speaker of the House, one of the top three positions in the state government. She serves as the third consecutive female speaker in the House. Over the last two years, Rep. Becker served as the House Majority Leader, organizing the legislative calendar and ensuring all bills that make it to the House Floor receive full and fair consideration. Rep. Becker represents House District 13, which includes parts of Boulder County and all of Clear Creek, Gilpin, Grand and Jackson counties. It is the only House district that spans the Continental Divide.

### **Caitlin Schneider**

Caitlin Schneider became involved in politics during the 2008 presidential election, where she worked for a civic engagement nonprofit, canvassing doors to get out the vote. Before joining the Colorado Fiscal Institute, Caitlin worked with Colorado Common Cause as the Just Vote Organizer beginning April of 2012. She worked in coalition with dozens of state civic engagement organizations to recruit, train and coordinate hundreds of volunteers for the Just Vote! Colorado Election Protection program. She helped coordinate outreach and support for the 2013 Colorado's Voter Access and Modernized Elections Act that included a number of provisions to make voting more accessible for Colorado voters. In December of 2012, Caitlin joined the Colorado Fiscal Institute as Public Engagement Coordinator, where she works to engage partners and Coloradans around both federal and the state's complex fiscal policy challenges.

### Adam Bickford

Adam Bickford joined the State Demography Office in October, 2017. He serves as a data analyst and as the outreach coordinator. He has multiple years of experience as a policy analyst in the arts, K-12 education and energy efficiency domains. He holds a Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of Chicago. He is the developer of the *Colorado Demographic Profiles* application, and his focus is in documenting the population changes in Colorado for a general audience.

#### Ted Trimpa

Ted Trimpa is the Principal and CEO of Trimpa Group, a national political consulting and government relations firm that specializes in public policy advocacy and political strategy. Trimpa Group develops cutting-edge public policy strategies at the state and federal levels. In 2010, Ted brought together environmentalists and natural gas companies to pass landmark legislation that established health-based emission standards for power plants – making Colorado the first state in the country to do so. Trimpa is also a visionary within the gay rights movement and considered an early pioneer in advocating for political strategies focused at the state level. Ted serves as a board member for numerous organizations, including the Democracy Alliance, ProgressNow, Third Way, and Tectonic Theater Project.

