



Greetings League Members,

At the October Board Meeting, members were encouraged to create an elevator speech so we would be prepared to promote the League should the opportunity present itself. This month, Beth asked that we think about all the people in our various circles of family, friends, and colleagues, and create lists with a plan to promote the League by extending an invitation to a League event; offering to make a presentation about the League mission or activities; encouraging a donation to the League; or sharing information about a League activity that would align with a personal interest or passion of a specific individual. I challenge Local Leagues to encourage their members to do the same!

We are entering the holiday season — a time when we think about giving. An important kick-off to the holiday giving season is Colorado Gives Day, December 7. Mark your calendar! This event, started in 2010, raised over \$50 million dollars in a single day last year, and LWVCO is one of the 3,000 local nonprofits that donors can earmark for a donation. To sweeten the pot, donations made on December 7 are used to calculate the percentage of an additional \$1.6 million incentive fund made possible by Community First Foundation, FirstBank, and other community members — one of the largest in the nation! What a great way to get an additional bang for your bucks! To schedule a donation, visit [our Colorado Gives page](#).

As Thanksgiving approaches, I reflect on the many wonderful contacts I have had during this past year with League members. I continue to be awed by your dedication and passion for supporting our democracy and ensuring that future generations will continue to have the opportunity to nudge this great experiment in democracy toward becoming the ideal that our forefathers envisioned.

Have a safe holiday and enjoy every minute that you spend celebrating with family and friends.

In League,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Karen Sheek". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Karen Sheek
President, LWVCO