



**LWV**

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®  
OF COLORADO

**2022 ANNUAL MEETING**



LWVCO 2022 ANNUAL MEETING  
MAY 20 – 21, 2022  
*SAFEGUARDING GLOBAL DEMOCRACY*  
AGENDA

Friday, May 20, 2022

4:00-5:00pm	Social Time
5:00-6:00pm	Convene Call to Order Official Welcome Introductions: State Board Off-Board Committee Chairs Staff Credentials Report Appointments Parliamentarian Minutes Reading Committee Rules Adoption Agenda Adjustment and Adoption 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes Approval
6:00-7:00pm	Business Reports and Presentations FY21 IRS Form 990 Financial Statement Financial Statement FY 2022 YTD Report Proposed Budget FY 2023 Presentation* Proposed Bylaws Presentation* Proposed Program 2022-2023 Presentation* Officers & Directors 2022-2023 Presentation* *Vote to Adopt on Saturday
7:00-7:30pm	JEDI: Reflections on a Statewide Dialogue
7:30pm	Adjourn Break-Out Groups



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Saturday, May 21, 2022

8:00 - 9:00am	Presidents' Roundtable Colorado League Presidents/Designees
8:00-9:00am	Informal Networking All others
9:00am	Reconvene Call to Order Credentials Report
9:10 - 9:50am	Keynote Speaker - Ambassador Gary Grappo <i>Democracy's Biggest Test: Confronting Authoritarianism in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century</i>
9:50 - 10:15am	Break
10:15 am	Voting* Proposed Budget FY 2023 Discussion & Adoption Proposed Bylaws Discussion & Adoption Proposed Program 2022-2023 Discussion & Adoption Officers & Directors 2022-2023 Discussion & Adoption
11:15am	Direction to Incoming LWVCO Board
11:30am	LWVUS Convention – Christina Davis
12:00pm	Adjourn



## Past Presidents

1928	Mabel Costigan	1977	Judith Lyke
1931	Geraldine Green	1979	Joyce Tavrow
1933	June Schrepferman	1981	Toni Worcester Larson
1934	Bertha Perry	1983	Wilma Davidson
1935	Elizabeth Blanc	1985	Gerry Cummins
1936	Grace Shaw	1989	Patricia Johnson
1938	Mary Ruffner	1991	Betsy McBride
1939	Edith Fidler	1994	Wilma Davidson
1943	Helen Abbot	1995	Marilyn Shuey
1947	Ruth Luby	1999	Gerry Cummins
1949	Edna Starkey	2003	Lorie Young
1951	Elizabeth Hylbom	2005	Flodie Anderson
1954	Judy Dixon	2007	Marjory Beal
1957	Shirley Swerdfeger	2009	Patty Cordova
1959	Sally Thorniley	2011	Cath Perrone
1960	Roma McNickle	2013	Bobbie Heisterkamp
1963	Margaret Fisher	2015	Barbara Mattison
1967	Sue Joshel	2017	Nancy Crow
1970	Roberta Bradbury	2017	Toni Larson
1973	Beverly Hiza	2019	Ruth Stemler
1975	Marlene Wiske	2020	Karen Sheek



<u>League ID</u>	<u>League Name</u>	<u>Primary</u>	<u>Additional</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Life</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u># delegates to LWVUS</u>	<u># delegates to LWVCO</u>	<u>Delegate formulas</u>
CO000	LWV Of Colorado	35	0	0	5	40	3	12	<a href="#">LWVUS formula</a>
CO100	LWV Of Boulder County	176	25	8	22	231	5	12	1-49 members = 1 delegate
CO101	LWV Of Pikes Peak Region	76	10	1	2	89	2	6	50-99 members = 2 delegates
CO102	LWV Of Denver	179	18	5	21	223	5	11	100-149 members = 3 delegates
CO103	LWV Of La Plata County	113	18	1	6	138	3	8	150-199 = 4 delegates
CO104	LWV Of Greeley-Weld Co.	45	9	1	0	55	2	5	200-249 = 5 delegates
CO105	LWV Of Pueblo	50	7	1	3	61	2	5	250-299 = 6 delegates
CO107	LWV Of Larimer County	213	27	7	17	264	6	13	
CO109	LWV Of Jefferson County	132	6	5	13	156	4	9	<a href="#">LWVCO formula per Policy 110.00</a>
CO112	LWV of Mesa County	23	3	1	1	28	1	4	2 delegates + 1 delegate per 25 members
CO114	LWV Of Adams County	16	0	0	2	18	1	3	1-25 members = 3 delegates
CO116	LWV Of Arapahoe & Douglas Co.	84	12	0	1	97	2	6	26-50 members = 4 delegates
CO119	LWV Of Gunnison Valley	40	2	0	1	43	1	4	51-75 members = 5 delegates
CO122	LWV Of the Uncompahgre Valley	38	6	0	0	44	1	4	76-100 members = 6 delegates
CO124	LWV Of Estes Park	61	21	1	0	83	2	6	101-125 members = 7 delegates
CO127	LWV of Chaffee County	80	27	0	2	109	3	7	126-150=8
CO128	LWV of Montezuma County	24	7	0	1	32	1	4	151-175=9
CO129	LWV of the San Luis Valley	17	0	0	0	17	1	3	176-200=10
	<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>1728</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>122</b>	201-225=11 226-250=12 251-275=13 276-300=14



## STANDING RULES of the LWVCO 2022 ANNUAL MEETING

1. At the beginning of the meeting, the Secretary shall report the number of properly registered delegates and shall make supplementary reports as necessary.
2. Motions must be submitted in writing in the chat box to the secretary and include the name of the mover and seconder.
3. Only delegates and observers (who are members) may speak.
  - All speakers shall state their name and Local League.
  - No speaker may speak more than twice to the same question.
  - No speaker may speak twice until all who wish have spoken the first time.
  - Two minute per speaker time limit unless permission of the assembly is granted by a two-thirds vote.
  - Observers may speak, but not vote.

## TIPS FOR DELEGATES

A motion or resolution from a committee of more than one does not require a second.

The proper terminology for amending a motion: "I move to amend the motion by:

- Inserting or adding \_\_."
- Striking out \_\_."
- Striking out and inserting \_\_."
- Or substituting \_\_."

Only two amendments may be pending at any time. More would be confusing to the assembly. However, anyone may accomplish the same purpose by giving notice during debate on the secondary amendment that she/he has another proposal in mind (mentioning it) which she/he will offer if the amendment to the amendment is defeated.

Calling out 'question' is not the proper way to signify that you wish debate to come to an end. The proper motion is: "I move the previous question" or "I move that debate cease on this question." This requires a second and is not debatable. The chair immediately takes the vote (two-thirds required) on whether to stop debate. If the motion is carried, debate ceases, and the vote is immediately taken on the main question. If the motion to close debate is defeated, debate on the main question continues.

## PROCEDURES

### NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION

The Nominating Committee will present its report, or slate of nominees, on the first day of the Annual Meeting. At that time, nominations may be made from the floor, provided that the consent of the nominee has been obtained. The election will be held by poll on the second day of the Annual Meeting. When there is only one nominee for each office, it may be moved that the secretary cast the ballot for every candidate. A majority vote shall constitute an election.



## PROGRAM

Program proposals, such as studies and concurrences, are submitted by local Leagues at least two months before the Annual Meeting. The Program Committee considers all proposals and makes a recommendation to the Board of Directors, who vote on which items will be recommended and which non-recommended at the Annual Meeting.

On the first day of the Annual Meeting, the recommended program will be moved for adoption. After presentation of each recommended item, non-recommended items which are listed in the Annual Meeting workbook may be placed before the delegates for consideration. If a majority of delegates vote to consider it, a non-recommended item will be brought to a vote on the second day of the Annual Meeting.

Debate, discussion, and vote on recommended and non-recommended items will take place on the second day of the Annual Meeting. The recommended program will be voted on first and requires a majority vote for adoption. The vote on non-recommended program will follow, with items being voted on in the order they were approved for consideration. Non-recommended program items require a 3/5 vote for adoption.

## BUDGET

On the first day of the Annual Meeting, the budget will be moved for adoption, along with a recommended level of Per Member Payment (PMP) to fund the proposed budget. A delegate wishing to propose a PMP different from the recommended level would use the following terminology: "I move to amend the budget by substituting a PMP of \_\_\_ for the recommended level."

On the second day of the Annual Meeting, the budget will be debated and adopted by a majority vote.





## 10-YEAR MEMBERSHIP COUNT

League	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Adams	18	20	20	26	30	24	25	23	26	26	35
Arapahoe/Douglas	97	116	109	91	92	85	79	102	80	79	78
Archuleta	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	6	6	7	6	6	4	5
Boulder	231	301	288	221	219	189	172	161	169	172	166
Chaffee	109	119	108	76	65	58	50	57	60	65	53
Denver	223	265	262	273	228	235	227	237	240	252	276
Estes Park	83	98	92	86	61	64	57	62	44	48	45
Greeley/Weld	55	58	68	55	47	42	36	37	39	35	35
Gunnison	43	40	40	56	47	42	40	37	38	36	41
Jefferson	156	177	156	176	170	148	154	153	154	144	149
Larimer	264	287	269	238	205	183	166	156	154	158	142
La Plata	138	151	129	88	84	84	85	97	94	89	79
Mesa	28	45	44	57	73	69	66	60	42	41	45
Montezuma	32	36	36	31	29	24	27	23	25	32	30
Uncompahgre Valley	44	54	53	45	39	47	36	23	25	29	28
Pikes Peak	89	103	105	78	70	57	68	68	74	87	93
Pueblo	61	61	61	47	50	48	41	47	54	55	56
Sterling	N/A	N/A	N/A	10	8	8	8	10	11	12	9
LWVCO MAL*	40	8	7	17	5	8	10	12	11	23	39
San Luis Valley	17	17									
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1728</b>	<b>1956</b>	<b>1847</b>	<b>1673</b>	<b>1528</b>	<b>1421</b>	<b>1354</b>	<b>1371</b>	<b>1346</b>	<b>1387</b>	<b>1404</b>





## LWVCO CONVENTION 2021

May 21, 2021 – May 22, 2021

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021

### Welcome and Announcements

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM by Karen Sheek (LWVCO President, LWV of Montezuma County). Cameron Manning (LWVCO Operations Manager) then reviewed technical instructions for the Zoom meeting.

### President's Opening Remarks

Karen Sheek (LWVCO President, LWV of Montezuma County) gave opening remarks and celebrated LWVCO's successes during a difficult year navigating the COVID-19 pandemic. She individually acknowledged the LWVCO Board of Directors, staff, and other off-Board volunteers:

#### LWVCO Board of Directors

Barb Whinery (Vice President, LWV of Greeley-Weld County)  
Irene Tynes (Secretary, LWV of Denver)  
Bonnie Seals (Treasurer, LWV of Estes Park)  
Toni Larson (Director of Action & Advocacy, LWV of Denver)  
Rionda Osman (Director of Technology, LWV of Boulder County)  
Beth Malmskog (Redistricting, LWV of Pikes Peak Region)  
Gerry Cummins (Director of Voter Service, LWV of Arapahoe & Douglas Counties)  
Lena Brown (Director at Large, LWV of Arapahoe & Douglas Counties)  
Steve Coddington (Voter Service, LWV of Denver)  
Lois Adams (Local League Support, LWV of Pueblo)  
Mandy Nuku (Director at Large, LWV of Boulder County)

#### LWVCO Off-Board Volunteers

Cath Perrone (VOTE411 Coordinator, LWV of Jefferson County)  
Ruth Nerenberg (Nominating Committee Chair, LWV of Pueblo)  
Liz Black (Investment Committee, LWV of Boulder County)  
Liz Nick (Project Grants Chair, LWV of Boulder County)  
Hannah Rain Crowe (Legislative Action Report Editor, LWV of Boulder County)



#### LWVCO Staff

Andrea Wilkins (Staff Lobbyist)  
Cameron Manning (Operations Manager)  
Beth Hendrix (Executive Director)

### Credentials Committee Report

Irene Tynes (LWVCO Secretary, LWV of Denver) reported attendance and that a quorum was present.

- 56 Voting Delegates
- 8 LWVCO Board of Directors Delegates
- 48 Local League Delegates
- 16 Local Leagues Represented

### Convention Appointments

Gerry Cummins (LWVCO Director of Voter Service, LWV of Arapahoe & Douglas Counties) has agreed to serve as parliamentarian, and Ruth Nerenberg (LWV of Pueblo), Barbara Whinery (LWVCO Vice President, LWV of Greeley-Weld County), and Anne Thompson (LWV of Larimer County) have agreed to serve on the Reading Committee. The Reading Committee will read the minutes of the Convention and edit them if necessary before they are filed.

### Standing Rules Adoption

The standing rules for Convention 2021 were reviewed. Jane Everham (LWV of Larimer County) moved to adopt the standing rules, and Jill Smith (LWV of Arapahoe & Douglas Counties) seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority vote of the delegates in the affirmative.

### Agenda Adoption

The agenda for LWVCO Convention 2021 was reviewed, no changes were proposed, and the delegates accepted the agenda as printed with a majority vote in the affirmative.

### LWVCO Convention 2019 Minutes

The LWVCO Convention 2019 minutes were approved by the LWVCO Convention 2019 Reading Committee and were included in the Convention 2021 Workbook. The minutes did not require an approval vote by the membership at Convention 2021.

### LWVCO Board Reports



Except for LWVCO's Financial Reports, the LWVCO Board Reports were not presented orally. Delegates were encouraged to email questions to individual Board members prior to the Convention and up until the May 22<sup>nd</sup> vote.

### LWVCO Financial Statements Report

Bonnie Seals (LWVCO Treasurer, LWV of Estes Park) presented LWVCO's current year-to-date financial statements. She reported current total assets of \$729,235.43, liabilities of \$15,333, and a total net worth of \$713,901.64. LWVCO's liabilities are due to local leagues and organized into local-league-specific education funds. Bonnie explained that LWVCO received a \$24,000 payroll protection loan received as part of federal COVID relief programs, which has now been fully forgiven. Both expenses and revenues are below budget: expenses are currently 71% of the current budget despite being 83% through the current fiscal year. Year-to-date net revenue is \$103,000, and in summary, LWVCO remains in a strong financial position.

### LWVCO FY 2021/2022 Budget Presentation

Bonnie Seals (LWVCO Treasurer, LWV of Estes Park) presented the proposed budget for the 2021/2022 fiscal year. In summary, the budget proposes a net revenue of \$295.15, as total expenses and revenues are near-equal. Total revenues equal \$303,700; \$191,500 will come from fund development programs. Bonnie explained that income is generated by transferring money from LWVCO's investment funds and fund development revenues. Furthermore, she highlighted LWVCO's grant programs, which are available to local leagues.

### Guest Speaker – Colorado Governor Jared Polis

Karen Sheek (LWVCO President, LWV of Montezuma County) welcomed Colorado Governor Jared Polis to the Convention. Governor Polis spoke to attendees about Colorado's successes during the pandemic and LWVCO's current legislative priorities around election integrity, gun safety, PDAB, and LEAP.

### LWVCO Bylaws Committee Report

Irene Tynes (LWVCO Secretary, LWV of Denver, and LWVCO Governance Committee Co-Chair) explained the ongoing work of improving LWVCO's Bylaws. Using industry-standard nonprofit governance resources, the Governance Committee found sections of LWVCO's Bylaws more fitting for Policies and Procedures. Therefore, the proposed Bylaws are a "streamlined" version of past Bylaws and are complimented by six new Policies and Procedures. The LWVCO Board of Directors has approved the proposed



Bylaws and both the red-lined version and final version were included in the Convention Workbook.

Jean Fredlund (LWV of Adams County, LWVCO Governance Committee Co-Chair), explained that moving language into Policies and Procedures allows LWVCO to be more nimble, as Policies and Procedures can be changed at each LWVCO Board Meeting. Additionally, the proposed Bylaws, and referenced Policies and Procedures, provide that further Bylaws revisions can be made each year at LWVCO's "Annual Meeting."

Irene and Jean then worked through every Article of the Bylaws, explaining each change in detail. Specific questions regarding program planning procedures were answered.

### **LWVCO Nominating Committee Report**

Ruth Nerenberg (LWV of Pueblo, Nominating Committee Chair) introduced the Nominating Committee's proposed slate of incoming Board of Directors to LWVCO. Pre-recorded introductions were shared.

#### Proposed Slate of Incoming Board of Directors to LWVCO

Director at Large: Chris Humphries (LWV of Denver)

Director at Large: Veniece Miller (LWV of Boulder County)

Director at Large: Camila Navarrette (LWV of Denver)

Director at Large: Sharon Davis (LWV of Larimer County)

Additionally, Karen Sheek (LWVCO President, LWV of Montezuma County) asked for a volunteer to serve on the Nominating Committee for a two-year term. Both the Nominating Committee Report and the Nominating Committee will be voted on during day two of Convention 2021. Additional nominations to LWVCO's Board of Directors will be discussed then.

**Adjournment: 6:14 PM**

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM by Karen Sheek (LWVCO President, LWV of Montezuma County). Cameron Manning (LWVCO Operations Manager) then reviewed technical instructions for the Zoom meeting.

### **Credentials Committee Report**



Irene Tynes (LWVCO Secretary, LWV of Denver) reported attendance and that a quorum was present.

- 16 Voting Delegates
- 8 LWVCO Board of Directors Delegates
- 52 Local League Delegates
- 16 Local Leagues Represented

### Keynote Speaker – Jargal Dambadarjaa (Jargal Defacto)

Karen Sheek (LWVCO President, LWV of Montezuma County) welcomed Jargal Dambadarjaa to the Convention. Jargal Defacto a Mongolian political and economic observer, columnist, and host of TV's Defacto Debate, Defacto Review, and Defacto Interview. He is a founder of The Defacto Institute, an independent research think tank that also publishes the 'The Defacto Gazette', a weekly analytical newspaper covering the politics and economics of Mongolia. Jargal was instrumental in Mongolia's peaceful revolution from communism to democracy 30 years ago and spoke about his perspective on Mongolian and American democracy today.

### LWVCO FY 2021/2022 Budget Adoption

Bonnie Seals (LWVCO Treasurer, LWV of Estes Park) moved to adopt the LWV of Colorado Budget for the fiscal year 2021-2022 as presented in the 2021 Convention Workbook. The motion did not require a second because it was coming from LWVCO's Budget Committee. The motion passed with a majority vote of the delegates in the affirmative.

### LWVCO Bylaws Adoption

Irene Tynes (LWVCO Secretary, LWV of Denver) moved to adopt the changes to LWVCO's Bylaws as presented in the 2021 Convention Workbook, with the caveat that the Governance Committee will contact LWVUS to learn if the first three articles of LWVCO's Bylaws must be identical to the first three Articles of LWVUS's Bylaws. The Governance Committee will then make the necessary changes to be compliant with LWVUS. The motion did not require a second because it was coming from LWVCO's Governance Committee. The motion passed with a majority vote of the delegates in the affirmative.

### Program Planning Discussion



Toni Larson (LWVCO Director of Action & Advocacy, LWV of Denver) responded to a question about Convention Delegates needing to vote on the proposed changes to LWVCO's Positions for Action and Advocacy. In summary, because the LWVCO Board of Directors did not recommend any changes to LWVCO's Positions for Action and Advocacy, no vote is necessary or relevant. The LWVCO Board of Directors thought the proposed changes could either be answered elsewhere in the Positions for Action and Advocacy document or were suggestions to definitions. The Board requested additional clarification from the local leagues who submitted proposals.

### **Slate of LWVCO Board of Directors Adoption**

There were no nominations from the floor.

Ruth Nerenberg (Nominating Committee Chair, LWV of Pueblo) moved to cast a unanimous ballot for the slate as presented. The motion did not require a second because it was coming from LWVCO's Nominating Committee. The motion passed with a majority vote of the delegates in the affirmative.

### **Nominating Committee Adoption**

Barbara Whinery (LWVCO Vice President, LWV of Greeley-Weld County) moved that the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Ruth Nerenberg (LWV of Pueblo), Connie Fox (LWV of Montezuma), and Marjie Gray (LWV of Chaffee County) to serve on the LWVCO Nominating Committee. Irene Tynes (LWVCO Secretary, LWV of Denver) seconded the motion, and the motion passed by majority vote of delegates in the affirmative.

### **Directions to LWVCO Board of Directors**

Linda Thomas (LWV of Larimer County) asked if LWVCO will contest Amendment 76, as it effectively took away the voting rights of seventeen year-olds. The LWVCO Board of Directors agreed to discuss at the next Board Meeting.

Maud Naroll (LWV of Arapahoe & Douglas), on behalf of the Voting & Elections Team from the Legislative Action Committee, offered to present on the topic of cybersecurity and hopes the LWVCO Board of Directors would take position on cybersecurity in elections.

Ruth Nerenberg (LWV of Pueblo), on behalf of the Nominating Committee, recommended:

1. The LWVCO Board of Directors have a retreat as soon as possible, and as part of that retreat, new members be partnered with those serving a second term for help,





advice, and mentoring. Additionally, this retreat shall include a discussion of Board needs, so new members may find their place.

2. LWVCO Board members think about whether they would like to be President and volunteer for appointment as President Elect, in accordance with Bylaws and Policies for filling vacancies.
3. The LWVCO Board of Directors hire an event planner for Leader of Democracy, and this person take into account that the size of the state precludes many local leagues from participating in a large single event held in-person in Denver.
4. LWVCO hire a Development Director, either full or part time, to spearhead fundraising events, search for grants, and devise other fundraising strategies.

Toni Larson (LWVCO Director of Action & Advocacy, LWV of Denver) requested adding an addendum to the LWVCO Bylaws that reference relevant Policies & Procedures. Additionally, she asked LWVCO continue making the Redistricting Observer Corps Program an organizational priority.

### LWVCO Positions for Action & Advocacy Approval

Toni Larson (LWVCO Director of Action & Advocacy, LWV of Denver) moved that the LWV of Colorado 2021 Convention support the continuation of the program, as printed in the 2021 Convention Workbook. Barbara Whinery (LWVCO Vice President, LWV of Greeley-Weld County) seconded the motion, and the motion passed with a majority vote of the delegates in the affirmative.

**Adjournment: 10:42 AM**

### Presentation of Awards

Barbara Whinery (LWVCO Vice President, LWV of Greeley-Weld County) presented the following LWVCO awards.

#### Special Recognition

Jean McGuire (LWV of Boulder County)

#### The Individual Achievement Award

Scott Harman (LWV of Chaffee County)

#### The Gerry Cummins Empowering Voters Award

Karen McManus (LWV of La Plata County)

Anne Duncan (LWV of Denver)

Jeanette Scotland (LWV of Denver)

Lineah Davey (LWV of Pikes Peak Region)

Cath Perrone (LWV of Jefferson County)





The Eva Fifkova Lifetime Achievement Award

Peggy Rawlins (LWV of Mesa County)

Barbara Mattison (LWV of Denver)

**League of Women Voters of Colorado**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
As of June 30, 2021

	<u>Total</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
1006 FirstBank Money Market Savings	5,008.91
1007 Checking-2157	16,410.91
1013 Investment Fund at ITC	579,138.93
1014 Future Fund at ITC	115,011.16
1015 Stock Donation Account at ITC	2.53
1102 PayPal Account	857.04
Total Bank Accounts	<b>\$ 716,429.48</b>
Accounts Receivable	
1200 Accounts Receivable	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 716,429.48</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 Accounts Payable	0.00
Total Accounts Payable	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
Long-Term Liabilities	
2400 Local League Ed Funds	
2402 Larimer County Ed Fund	3,733.37
2405 Pikes peak Region	743.00
2407 Pueblo Ed Fund	122.88
2408 Greely-Weld County Ed Fund	375.00
2409 Mesa County Ed Fund	5,961.57
2411 Estes Park Ed Fund	2.47
2414 Gunnison Ed Fund	418.69
2417 Montrose Ed Fund	874.50
2423 Chaffee County Ed Fund	66.88
2424 Montezuma County Ed Fund	333.02
2425 San Luis Valley Ed Fund	2,731.96
Total 2400 Local League Ed Funds	<b>\$ 15,363.34</b>
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<b>\$ 15,363.34</b>
Total Liabilities	<b>\$ 15,363.34</b>
<b>NET WORTH</b>	<b>\$ 701,066.14</b>

**League of Women Voters of Colorado**  
**Budget vs. Actuals: FY2020-2021 Budget - FY21 P&L**  
 July 2020 - June 2021

	Actual	Total Budget	% of Budget
Revenue			
3025 Trf from Investment Trust Funds	66,000.00	66,016.00	99.98%
4690 Misc Income (Transfers from Money Mkt Fund)			
Total Transfers	66,000.00	66,016.00	99.98%
4000 Development	305.11		
4004 Direct Mail Drive - 100th Anniversary	6,530.00		
4005 Direct Mail Drive - Voter Ed	416.00	15,000.00	2.77%
4006 Direct Mail Drive - Advocacy		14,000.00	0.00%
4007 Contributions - Restricted		20,000.00	0.00%
4034 National Popular Vote Contribution Revenue	30,000.00		
Total 4007 Contributions - Restricted	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	150.00%
4008 Contributions - Unrestricted	27,334.31	31,000.00	88.18%
4009 Contributions - Board giving	5,161.32	2,000.00	258.07%
4010 Fundraisers	18,202.00	60,000.00	30.34%
4013 Colorado Gives	9,762.37	12,000.00	81.35%
4020 Bequests	14,008.21	1,000.00	1400.82%
4021 Memorials		10,000.00	0.00%
4025 Silent Auction		600.00	0.00%
4030 Foundations &,Grants	31,848.95	50,000.00	63.70%
4031 LWVEF Voter Services Grants	4,700.00		
4033 LWVEF MDW Grants	7,750.00		
Total 4030 Foundations &,Grants	\$ 44,298.95	\$ 50,000.00	88.60%
Total 4000 Development	\$ 156,018.27	\$ 215,600.00	72.36%
4035 Memberships			
4040 PMP Membership	29,180.00	31,500.00	92.63%
4045 MAL Dues		232.00	0.00%
Total 4035 Memberships	\$ 29,180.00	\$ 31,732.00	91.96%
4050 Local League Services	604.73	600.00	100.79%
4200 Publications	54.84		
4210 Ballot Issues Pamphlets	13,530.00	6,000.00	225.50%
4219 Misc Publications	55.65		
Total 4200 Publications	\$ 13,640.49	\$ 6,000.00	227.34%
4300 Meetings and Conferences	430.00		
4320 Making Democracy Work Day	930.00	5,500.00	16.91%
4330 Legislative Conference	1,000.00	5,500.00	18.18%
4340 LWVCO Council	10.00		
4360 LWVCO Annual Meeting	1,010.00	6,500.00	15.54%
Total 4300 Meetings and Conferences	\$ 3,380.00	\$ 17,500.00	19.31%
4600 Other Income			
4650 Interest/Dividend Income	17,626.68	20,000.00	88.13%
4655 Change in Investment Value	122,123.04		
4660 Centennial Merchandise Sales	30.00	1,000.00	3.00%
4690 Misc Income	250.00		
Total 4600 Other Income	\$ 140,029.72	\$ 21,000.00	666.81%
Total Revenue	\$ 408,853.21	\$ 358,448.00	114.06%

	Actual	Total Budget	% of Budget
<b>Expenditures</b>			
5000 Development Expense		5,000.00	0.00%
5004 Direct Mail - 100th Anniversary Expense	1,270.09		
5010 Fundraiser Event Costs	8,310.62	15,000.00	55.40%
Total 5000 Development Expense	<b>\$ 9,580.71</b>	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>	<b>47.90%</b>
5050 Grants for LWVCO		35,000.00	0.00%
5054 LWVEF MDW Grant Expenses	4,115.00		
Total 5050 Grants for LWVCO	<b>\$ 4,115.00</b>	<b>\$ 35,000.00</b>	<b>11.76%</b>
5100 Membership Expense			
5115 MAL Per Member Payment	400.00	500.00	80.00%
5120 MAL Unit Start-up Expense		500.00	0.00%
5160 Member Services/Field Services		1,500.00	0.00%
Total 5100 Membership Expense	<b>\$ 400.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>	<b>16.00%</b>
5190 LWVCO Grants			
5193 Local League Grants	867.09	5,000.00	17.34%
5055 National Popular Vote Expenses	28,010.62		
Total 5193 Local League Grants	<b>\$ 28,877.71</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>577.55%</b>
5198 TRIP Payments		750.00	0.00%
Total 5190 LWVCO Grants	<b>\$ 28,877.71</b>	<b>\$ 5,750.00</b>	<b>502.22%</b>
5200 Publication Expense			
5235 Ballot Issues Pamphlet	9,144.48	6,000.00	152.41%
5240 Voter Service	1,243.07	2,000.00	62.15%
5250 Misc Publications	379.68		
Total 5200 Publication Expense	<b>\$ 10,767.23</b>	<b>\$ 8,000.00</b>	<b>134.59%</b>
5300 Meetings & Conferences Expense			
5320 Making Democracy Work Day Expenses		5,000.00	0.00%
5330 Legislative Conference Expenses		5,000.00	0.00%
5360 LWVCO Annual Meeting Expenses	589.88	10,000.00	5.90%
5385 LWVUS Council Exp(odd years)	600.00	4,500.00	13.33%
Total 5300 Meetings & Conferences Expense	<b>\$ 1,189.88</b>	<b>\$ 24,500.00</b>	<b>4.86%</b>
6000 Office Expenses	150.68		
6005 Copier Leasing & Maintenance	2,168.80	3,506.00	61.86%
6030 Telephone/Internet	4,905.87	3,680.00	133.31%
6035 Insurance	1,272.53	3,612.00	35.23%
6036 Fees & Licenses	70.00	1,146.00	6.11%
6040 Office Supplies	909.86	1,954.00	46.56%
6050 Rent	20,100.00	22,971.00	87.50%
6060 Postage	698.24	337.00	207.19%
6090 Computer Software/Services	11,310.77	4,000.00	282.77%
Total 6000 Office Expenses	<b>\$ 41,586.75</b>	<b>\$ 41,206.00</b>	<b>100.92%</b>
6200 Personnel	150.00		
Total 6210 Salaries	<b>\$ 139,902.70</b>	<b>\$ 143,611.00</b>	<b>97.42%</b>
6220 Employee Health Benefits	7,200.00	7,200.00	100.00%
6230 Employee Reimbursable Exp	1,883.18	2,500.00	75.33%
6235 ED Expenses	442.47	2,000.00	22.12%
6240 Advocate Expenses		1,000.00	0.00%
6245 Payroll Processing Fee	660.00	660.00	100.00%
6250 Contract Employee Costs	23,780.00	32,000.00	74.31%
Total 6270 Employer Payroll Taxes	<b>\$ 11,087.45</b>	<b>\$ 11,622.00</b>	<b>95.40%</b>

	Actual	Total Budget	% of Budget
<b>Total 6200 Personnel</b>	<b>\$ 185,105.80</b>	<b>\$ 200,593.00</b>	<b>92.28%</b>
<b>6300 Services Expense</b>	32.44		
6315 Professional Fees		2,000.00	0.00%
6320 Bank Charges		600.00	0.00%
6325 Investment Management Costs	6,182.76	6,420.00	96.30%
<b>Total 6300 Services Expense</b>	<b>\$ 6,215.20</b>	<b>\$ 9,020.00</b>	<b>68.90%</b>
<b>6350 Other Expenses</b>			
1201 Bad Debts	400.00		
6360 Board Expense	50.00	6,000.00	0.83%
6365 Board Projects	375.00		
6370 Prof. Development Expense	799.00	600.00	133.17%
6380 President's Discretionary Exp	340.60	1,200.00	28.38%
6390 Centennial Events & Products	-42.00		
<b>Total 6350 Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,922.60</b>	<b>\$ 7,800.00</b>	<b>24.65%</b>
<b>6500 Outreach</b>			
6510 PR/Media	15.23	1,500.00	1.02%
6530 Affiliations	3,012.80	2,000.00	150.64%
6540 Program Advocacy		1,000.00	0.00%
6550 Vote411 LWVUS Expense	6,000.00	6,000.00	100.00%
<b>Total 6500 Outreach</b>	<b>\$ 9,028.03</b>	<b>\$ 10,500.00</b>	<b>85.98%</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 298,788.91</b>	<b>\$ 364,869.00</b>	<b>81.89%</b>
<b>Net Operating Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 110,064.30</b>	<b>-\$ 6,421.00</b>	<b>-1714.13%</b>
<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 110,064.30</b>	<b>-\$ 6,421.00</b>	<b>-1714.13%</b>

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**League of Women Voters of Colorado**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
As of March 31, 2022

	<u>Total</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
1006 FirstBank Money Market Savings	0.52
1007 Checking-2157	21,831.76
1013 Investment Fund at ITC	531,248.53
1014 Future Fund at ITC	97,088.17
1015 Stock Donation Account at ITC	0.02
1102 PayPal Account	0.00
Total Bank Accounts	<b>\$ 650,169.00</b>
Accounts Receivable	
1200 Accounts Receivable	1,850.00 <i>Chaffee PMP</i>
Total Accounts Receivable	<b>\$ 1,850.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 652,019.00</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Long-Term Liabilities	
2400 Local League Ed Funds	
2402 Larimer County Ed Fund	11,689.74
2404 Denver Ed Fund	25.00
2405 Pikes peak Region	448.00
2407 Pueblo Ed Fund	251.77
2408 Greeley-Weld County Ed Fund	639.67
2409 Mesa County Ed Fund	6,072.57
2414 Gunnison Ed Fund	468.69
2417 Uncompahgre Valley Ed Fund	951.06
2419 Adams Count Ed Fund	62.50
2423 Chaffee County Ed Fund	143.89
2424 Montezuma County Ed Fund	706.91
2425 San Luis Valley Ed Fund	3,020.97
Total 2400 Local League Ed Funds	<b>\$ 24,480.77</b>
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<b>\$ 24,480.77</b>
Total Liabilities	<b>\$ 24,480.77</b>
<b>NET WORTH</b>	<b>\$ 627,538.23</b>
<i>Net Worth 02282022</i>	641,673.64
<i>Gain/(Loss) in net worth</i>	<b>\$ (14,135.41)</b>

**League of Women Voters of Colorado**  
**Budget vs. Actuals: FY2022 Budget - FY22 P&L**  
 July 2021 - March 2022

	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Revenue</b>				
<b>3025 Trf from Investment Trust Funds</b>				
Transfers from Investment Funds	52,000.00			
Transfers from Money Market Fund	5,000.00			
<b>Net Transfers</b>	<b>57,000.00</b>	<b>52,000.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>109.6%</b>
<b>4000 Development</b>				
4005 Direct Mail Drive - Voter Ed	15,372.20	10,000.00	5,372.20	153.72%
4006 Direct Mail Drive - Advocacy		10,000.00	(10,000.00)	0.00%
4007 Contributions - Restricted	50.00	5,000.00	(4,950.00)	1.00%
4008 Contributions - Unrestricted	31,945.24	31,000.00	945.24	103.05%
4009 Contributions - Board giving	1,679.04	2,000.00	(320.96)	83.95%
4010 Fundraisers		50,000.00	(50,000.00)	0.00%
4013 Colorado Gives	14,041.93	14,000.00	41.93	100.30%
4014 Community Shares of CO	416.69		416.69	
4020 Bequests		1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.00%
4021 Memorials		3,500.00	(3,500.00)	0.00%
4030 Foundations & Grants	6,534.81	65,000.00	(58,465.19)	
4031 LWVEF Voter Services Grants	250.00		250.00	
4032 LWVUS Advocacy Grants			0.00	
4032.1 LWVUS PPFM Grant	6,750.00		6,750.00	
Total 4032 LWVUS Advocacy Grants	<b>\$ 6,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>6,750.00</b>	
4033 LWVEF MDW Grants	9,000.00		9,000.00	
Total 4030 Foundations & Grants	<b>\$ 22,534.81</b>	<b>\$ 65,000.00</b>	<b>(42,465.19)</b>	<b>34.67%</b>
Total 4000 Development	<b>\$ 86,039.91</b>	<b>\$ 191,500.00</b>	<b>(105,460.09)</b>	<b>44.93%</b>
<b>4035 Memberships</b>				
4040 PMP Membership	32,716.00	30,000.00	2,716.00	109.05%
4045 MAL Dues		200.00	(200.00)	0.00%
Total 4035 Memberships	<b>\$ 32,716.00</b>	<b>\$ 30,200.00</b>	<b>2,516.00</b>	<b>108.33%</b>
<b>4200 Publications</b>				
4210 Ballot Issues Pamphlets	4,669.44	6,000.00	(1,330.56)	77.82%
4219 Misc Publications	19.97		19.97	
Total 4200 Publications	<b>\$ 4,689.41</b>	<b>\$ 6,000.00</b>	<b>(1,310.59)</b>	<b>78.16%</b>
<b>4300 Meetings and Conferences</b>				
4320 Making Democracy Work Day	770.00	1,000.00	(230.00)	77.00%
4330 Legislative Conference		1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.00%
4360 LWVCO Annual Meeting		2,000.00	(2,000.00)	0.00%
Total 4300 Meetings and Conferences	<b>\$ 770.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>	<b>(3,230.00)</b>	<b>19.25%</b>
<b>4600 Other Income</b>				
4650 Interest/Dividend Income	18,097.46	20,000.00	(1,902.54)	90.49%
4655 Change in Investment Value	(26,905.37)		(26,905.37)	
4690 Misc Income	43.00		43.00	
Total 4600 Other Income	<b>(8,764.91)</b>	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>	<b>(28,764.91)</b>	<b>-43.82%</b>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 115,450.41</b>	<b>\$ 303,700.00</b>	<b>(188,249.59)</b>	<b>38.01%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$ 115,450.41</b>	<b>\$ 303,700.00</b>	<b>(188,249.59)</b>	<b>38.01%</b>



	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Expenditures</b>				
5000 Development Expense	220.00	2,500.00	(2,280.00)	
5005 Direct Mail - Voter Ed Expense	1,367.92		1,367.92	
<b>Total 5000 Development Expense</b>	<b>\$ 1,587.92</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>	<b>(912.08)</b>	<b>63.52%</b>
5100 Membership Expense			0.00	
5115 MAL Per Member Payment	1,248.00	500.00	748.00	249.60%
5120 MAL Unit Start-up Expense		500.00	(500.00)	0.00%
5160 Member Services/Field Services		1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.00%
<b>Total 5100 Membership Expense</b>	<b>\$ 1,248.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>	<b>(752.00)</b>	<b>62.40%</b>
5190 LWVCO Grants				
5193 Local League Grants	3,900.00	5,000.00	(1,100.00)	78.00%
5198 TRIP Payments		500.00	(500.00)	0.00%
<b>Total 5190 LWVCO Grants</b>	<b>\$ 3,900.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,500.00</b>	<b>(1,600.00)</b>	<b>70.91%</b>
5200 Publication Expense				
5235 Ballot Issues Pamphlet	4,381.00	6,000.00	(1,619.00)	73.02%
5240 Voter Service		500.00	(500.00)	0.00%
5250 Misc Publications	715.00		715.00	
<b>Total 5200 Publication Expense</b>	<b>\$ 5,096.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,500.00</b>	<b>(1,404.00)</b>	<b>78.40%</b>
5300 Meetings & Conferences Expense				
5360 LWVCO Annual Meeting Expenses		5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0.00%
5380 LWVUS Convention Exp(even yrs)		5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0.00%
<b>Total 5300 Meetings &amp; Conferences Expense</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>	<b>(10,000.00)</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
6000 Office Expenses		300.00	(300.00)	0.00%
6005 Copier Leasing & Maintenance	1,717.44	2,500.00	(782.56)	68.70%
6030 Telephone/Internet	3,360.88	4,000.00	(639.12)	84.02%
6035 Insurance	594.90	4,000.00	(3,405.10)	14.87%
6036 Fees & Licenses	65.01	1,200.00	(1,134.99)	5.42%
6040 Office Supplies	433.22	2,000.00	(1,566.78)	21.66%
6050 Rent	14,430.00	24,000.00	(9,570.00)	60.13%
6060 Postage	402.09	1,000.00	(597.91)	40.21%
6090 Computer Software/Services	7,810.61	4,000.00	3,810.61	195.27%
<b>Total 6000 Office Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 28,814.15</b>	<b>\$ 43,000.00</b>	<b>(14,185.85)</b>	<b>67.01%</b>
6200 Personnel				
<b>Total 6210 Salaries</b>	<b>\$ 116,773.15</b>	<b>\$ 144,100.00</b>	<b>(27,326.85)</b>	<b>81.04%</b>
6220 Employee Health Benefits	4,640.91	7,200.00	(2,559.09)	64.46%
6230 Employee Reimbursable Exp	2,568.50	2,500.00	68.50	102.74%
6235 ED Expenses	671.69	2,000.00	(1,328.31)	33.58%
6240 Advocate Expenses		1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.00%
6245 Payroll Processing Fee	571.00	660.00	(89.00)	86.52%
6250 Contract Employee Costs	6,000.00	35,000.00	(29,000.00)	17.14%
<b>Total 6270 Employer Payroll Taxes</b>	<b>\$ 9,567.85</b>	<b>\$ 10,850.00</b>	<b>(1,282.15)</b>	<b>88.18%</b>
<b>Total 6200 Personnel</b>	<b>\$ 140,793.10</b>	<b>\$ 203,310.00</b>	<b>(62,516.90)</b>	<b>69.25%</b>
6300 Services Expense				
6315 Professional Fees	13.61	3,500.00	(3,486.39)	0.39%
6320 Bank Charges	152.78		152.78	
6325 Investment Management Costs	4,930.97	6,420.00	(1,489.03)	76.81%
<b>Total 6300 Services Expense</b>	<b>\$ 5,097.36</b>	<b>\$ 9,920.00</b>	<b>(4,822.64)</b>	<b>51.38%</b>

	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
<b>6350 Other Expenses</b>				
6360 Board Expense	47.00	5,000.00	(4,953.00)	0.94%
6361 DEI Training	98.00	3,000.00	(2,902.00)	3.27%
6365 Board Projects		375.00	(375.00)	0.00%
6370 Prof. Development Expense		600.00	(600.00)	0.00%
6380 President's Discretionary Exp		1,200.00	(1,200.00)	0.00%
<b>Total 6350 Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 145.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,175.00</b>	<b>(10,030.00)</b>	<b>1.43%</b>
<b>6500 Outreach</b>			0.00	
6510 PR/Media	357.79	1,500.00	(1,142.21)	23.85%
6530 Affiliations	1,719.00	2,000.00	(281.00)	85.95%
6540 Program Advocacy	220.00	1,000.00	(780.00)	22.00%
6550 Vote411 LWVUS Expense		6,000.00	(6,000.00)	0.00%
<b>Total 6500 Outreach</b>	<b>\$ 2,296.79</b>	<b>\$ 10,500.00</b>	<b>(8,203.21)</b>	<b>21.87%</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 188,978.32</b>	<b>\$ 303,405.00</b>	<b>(114,426.68)</b>	<b>62.29%</b>
<b>Net Operating Revenue</b>	<b>(73,527.91)</b>	<b>295.00</b>	<b>(73,822.91)</b>	<b>-24924.72%</b>
<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>(73,527.91)</b>	<b>295.00</b>	<b>(73,822.91)</b>	<b>-24924.72%</b>

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# Revenue

Proposed  
Budget  
FY2023  
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	Projected to end of FY2022	Actual Budget FY2022	
3025 Trf from Investment Trust Funds			
Transfers from Investment Funds	52,000		
Transfers to Money Market Fund			
Net Transfers	52,000	52,000.00	50,000.00
4005 Direct Mail Drive - Voter Ed	15,372	10,000.00	15,000.00
4006 Direct Mail Drive - Advocacy	10,000	10,000.00	15,000.00
4007 Contributions - Restricted	50	5,000.00	15,000.00
4008 Contributions - Unrestricted	45,971	31,000.00	90,000.00
4009 Contributions - Board giving	2,000	2,000.00	2,500.00
4010 Fundraisers	30,000	50,000.00	55,000.00
4013 Colorado Gives	15,000	14,000.00	17,500.00
4014 Community Shares of CO	417		1,000.00
4020 Bequests	0	1,000.00	0.00
4021 Memorials	0	3,500.00	5,000.00
4030 Foundations & Grants	11,203	65,000.00	75,000.00
4031 LWVEF Voter Services Grants	250		
4032 LWVUS Advocacy Grants	0		
4032.1 LWVUS PPFM Grant	6,750		0.00
4033 LWVEF MDW Grants	9,000		
Total 4030 Foundations & Grants	27,203	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Total 4000 Development	146,012	\$ 191,500.00	\$ 291,000.00
4035 Memberships			
4040 PMP Membership	31,490	30,000.00	58,000.00
4045 MAL Dues	0	200.00	700.00
Total 4035 Memberships	31,490	\$ 30,200.00	\$ 58,700.00
4200 Publications			
4210 Ballot Issues Pamphlets	4,656	6,000.00	10,000.00
4219 Misc Publications	20		
Total 4200 Publications	4,676	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
4300 Meetings and Conferences			
4320 Making Democracy Work Day	770	1,000.00	1,000.00
4330 Legislative Conference	0	1,000.00	1,000.00
4360 LWVCO Annual Meeting	1,000	2,000.00	19,250.00
Total 4300 Meetings and Conferences	1,770	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 21,250.00
4600 Other Income			
4650 Interest/Dividend Income	27,057	20,000.00	20,000.00
4655 Change in Investment Value	7,650		0.00
4690 Misc Income	0		0.00
Total 4600 Other Income	34,707	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Total Revenue	270,655	\$ 303,700.00	\$ 450,950.00
Gross Profit	270,655	\$ 303,700.00	\$ 450,950.00

## Expenditures

5000 Development Expense		2,500.00		
5005 Direct Mail - Voter Ed Expense				
Total 5000 Development Expense	2,736	\$	2,500.00	\$ 3,000.00
5100 Membership Expense				
5115 MAL Per Member Payment	608		500.00	1,120.00
5120 MAL Unit Start-up Expense	0		500.00	0.00
5160 Member Services/Field Services	0		1,000.00	1,000.00
Total 5100 Membership Expense	608	\$	2,000.00	\$ 2,120.00
5190 LWVCO Grants				
5193 Local League Grants	3,000		5,000.00	5,000.00
5198 TRIP Payments	0		500.00	500.00
Total 5190 LWVCO Grants	3,000	\$	5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00
5200 Publication Expense				
5235 Ballot Issues Pamphlet	4,381		6,000.00	10,000.00
5240 Voter Service	0		500.00	1,000.00
5250 Misc Publications	1,000			1,000.00
Total 5200 Publication Expense	5,381	\$	6,500.00	\$ 12,000.00
5300 Meetings & Conferences Expense				
5320 Making Democracy Work Day expenses				250.00
5330 Legislative Conference expenses				250.00
5360 LWVCO Annual Meeting Expenses	2,500		5,000.00	25,000.00
5380/5 LWVUS Council/Convention Exp	5,000		5,000.00	5,000.00
Total 5300 Meetings & Conferences Expense	7,500	\$	10,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
6000 Office Expenses			300.00	300.00
6005 Copier Leasing & Maintenance	2,338		2,500.00	0.00
6030 Telephone/Internet	4,894		4,000.00	5,000.00
6035 Insurance	4,000		4,000.00	4,000.00
6036 Fees & Licenses	1,200		1,200.00	1,200.00
6040 Office Supplies	459		2,000.00	1,000.00
6050 Rent	21,860		24,000.00	22,000.00
6060 Postage	448		1,000.00	1,000.00
6090 Computer Software/Services	10,211		4,000.00	7,500.00
Total 6000 Office Expenses	45,410	\$	43,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
6200 Personnel				
6210 Salaries	176,878		144,100.00	\$262,435.00
6220 Employee Health Benefits	5,841		7,200.00	22,500.00
NEW Employee Retirement Benefits	0		0.00	7,873.00
6230 Employee Reimbursable Exp	3,341		2,500.00	5,800.00
6235 ED Expenses	2,000		2,000.00	4,000.00
6240 Advocate Expenses	0		1,000.00	0.00
6245 Payroll Processing Fee	776		660.00	900.00
6250 Contract Employee Costs	8,000		35,000.00	0.00
6270 Employer Payroll Taxes	13,830		10,850.00	22,307.00

Total 6200 Personnel	210,666	\$	203,310.00	\$	325,815.00
6300 Services Expense					
6315 Professional Fees	6,000		3,500.00		6,500.00
6320 Bank Charges	150				150.00
6325 Investment Management Costs	6,575		6,420.00		0.00
Total 6300 Services Expense	12,725	\$	9,920.00	\$	6,650.00
6350 Other Expenses					
6360 Board Expense	1,000		5,000.00		500.00
6361 DEI Training	3,000		3,000.00		3,000.00
6370 Prof. Development Expense	0		600.00		600.00
6380 President's Discretionary Exp	1,200		1,200.00		1,200.00
Total 6350 Other Expenses	5,200	\$	9,800.00	\$	5,300.00
6500 Outreach					
6510 PR/Media	0		1,500.00		7,500.00
6530 Affiliations	2,000		2,000.00		2,500.00
6540 Program Advocacy	220		1,000.00		1,500.00
6550 Vote411 LWVUS Expense	6,000		6,000.00		6,000.00
Total 6500 Outreach	8,220	\$	10,500.00	\$	17,500.00
Total Expenditures	301,446	\$	303,030.00	\$	449,885.00
Net Operating Revenue	(30,791)		670.00		1,065.00
Net Revenue	(30,791)		670.00		1,065.00



## Nominating Committee Report April 12, 2022

Attending: Connie Fox, Beth Malmskog, Ruth Nerenberg, Marjorie Gray, Vicky McLane;  
Ex-officio/non-voting: Karen Sheek and Beth Hendrix

Meeting dates (via Zoom): March 15, 16, 24, April 5, 6, 2022

The Committee reached consensus on the following slate of candidates:

Office	Name	League	Term Will End 6/30,
President	<b>Irene Tynes</b>	Denver	2024
Vice President	<b>Sharon Davis</b>	Larimer	2024
Secretary	<b>Veniece Miller</b>	Mesa	2023
Treasurer	Bonnie Seals	Estes Park	2024
Nominating	<b>Lena Brown</b>	Arapahoe-Douglas	2024
JEDI			
Voter Services	Chris Humphries	Denver	2023
Voter Services	<b>Barb Whinery</b>	Greeley-Weld	2024
Action & Advocacy	<b>Maud Naroll</b>	Arapahoe-Douglas	2024
Action & Advocacy	<b>Kathy Wilson</b>	Larimer	2024
Local League Support	<b>Karen Sheek</b>	Montezuma	2024
Director At Large	<b>Sterling Harris</b>	(Denver)	2024
Director At Large	<b>Deborah Lively</b>	(Denver)	2024
Director At Large	<b>Cameron Manning</b>	(Denver)	2024
Director At Large	<b>Anne McGihon</b>	(Denver)	2024
Executive Director	Beth Hendrix		

Red = new member

Bold = new position

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Fox

Chair

LWVCO Nominating Committee



## PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR 2022-2023

### BACKGROUND

Annually, members are asked if they'd like to suggest additions or changes to League positions for action, a process known as program planning. For the past several years, both LWVUS and LWVCO have discouraged such additions or changes, for a number of reasons:

- The LWVUS Transformation Roadmap specified that members and Leagues should prioritize action over study to encourage membership growth and visibility around making democracy work
- Positions are deliberately written to be broad so that they may work across a variety of areas and can be combined with other positions for additional efficacy.
- Positions are categorized under the original study issue and cannot be re-categorized; for example, reproductive rights was originally studied under Government Relations, so LWVUS wants it to stay there. LWVCO strives to have *Positions for Study and Action* parallel LWVUS's *Impact on Issues*.

### RECOMMENDED PROGRAM

1. The LWVCO Board recommends retaining all current LWVCO positions.
2. The LWVCO Board recommends no new study or review of positions.
3. The LWVCO recommends continuing the campaign **Making Democracy Work®** with the local Leagues throughout the state with an emphasis on the following.
  - Voting Rights
  - Improving Elections
  - Money in Politics
  - Redistricting (limited activity)

### NON-RECOMMENDED PROGRAM

*A non-recommended program issue may be adopted provided consideration is ordered by a majority vote on the first day of convention and on a following day the proposal for adoption receives a three-fifths (3/5) vote.*

Non-recommended issues for study or review:

- 1) **Zoning laws** - LWV Arapahoe-Douglas)
  - When reviewing their local position on land use, LWV Arapahoe-Douglas members realized that zoning laws impacted where certain types of house could be built. Upon closer examination it was felt that current zoning laws needed to be evaluated as they may be using them to "discriminate" against certain types of housing for different SES levels, thus restricting access to affordable housing.



**LWVCO Recommendation:** Because zoning is a local issue, LWVCO recommends that interested members refer this issue to the LWVCO Housing Committee.

2) **Homelessness** - LWV Jeffco (Bette Seeland)

- As a group, LWV Jeffco feels there is a hole in the LWVCO current positions that do not enable us to advocate in the legislature for programs addressing homelessness.

**LWVCO Recommendation:** LWVCO regularly advocates for programs addressing homelessness using housing and other positions. Refer this issue to the LWVCO Housing Task Force as a possible focus area for their work due to the overlap of subject matter.

3) **Review LWVCO Positions for updating and current relevant terminology** - LWV Denver

- a) Include language related to entire range of non-binary person's types of sexual expression (LGBTQ+)

**LWVCO Recommendation:** This language is already included in LWVUS's Impact on Issues (p. 117-8) and DEI Policy

- b) Include 'justice' and 'right to liberty' where appropriate

**LWVCO Recommendation:** This language is already included in LWVUS's Impact on Issues (p.121-3) and DEI Policy, as well as the US Constitution

- c) Discuss possible new concepts to organize and categorize positions: "public health and safety" to include issues on homelessness, policing, gun violence and behavioral health

**LWVCO Recommendation:** This language is already included in LWVUS's Impact on Issues (p. 128, 142-3) and LWVCO Positions for Action (p. 81, 85)

- d) Re-categorize "reproductive rights" under healthcare

**LWVCO Recommendation:** This was attempted several years ago and failed, because LWVUS studied repro rights under Government Relations (p. 56) and therefore it needs to stay there. No action is recommended.

## **BYLAWS**

### **LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF COLORADO**

#### **ARTICLE I**

##### **NAME**

The name of this organization shall be League of Women Voters of Colorado, hereinafter referred to in these bylaws as LWVCO.

#### **ARTICLE II**

##### **PURPOSES AND POLICIES**

Sec. 1. Purposes. The purposes of the LWVCO are to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation in government and to act on selected governmental issues.

Sec. 2. Policies. The policies of the LWVCO are

A. Political Policy. The League shall not support or oppose any political party or any candidate.

B. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Policy. The League is fully committed to ensure compliance - in principle and in practice - with LWVCO's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Policy.

#### **ARTICLE III**

##### **MEMBERSHIP**

Sec. 1. Eligibility. Any person who subscribes to the purposes and policy of the LWVUS shall be eligible for membership.

Sec. 2. Types of Membership.

A. *Voting Members*. Persons at least 16 years of age who join the League shall be voting members of local Leagues, state Leagues and of the LWVUS; (1) those who live within an area of a local League may join that League or any other local League; (2) those who reside outside the area of any local League may join a local League or shall be state members-at-large; (3) those who have been members of the League for 50 years or more shall be life members excused from the payment of dues; [4] those who are students are defined as individuals enrolled either as full or part time with an accredited institution.

B. *Associate Members*. All others who join the League shall be associate members.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

##### **NONDISCRIMINATION**

Sec 1. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Nondiscrimination. The League is fully committed to ensure compliance in principle and practice with LWVCO's inclusion and nondiscrimination policy.

## **ARTICLE V POWERS OF MEMBERS**

Sec. 1. Powers of Members. The powers of members are limited to those specified in Article XII Annual Meeting.

## **ARTICLE VI OFFICERS**

Sec. 1. Enumeration and Election of Officers. The officers of the LWVCO shall be a president, one or more vice-presidents, a secretary and a treasurer for a two-year term. A president-elect may be elected for a one-year term the last year the president plans to serve. This officer will spend a year as president-elect under the current president and should plan to become president for the following two years.

## **ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Sec. 1. Number, Manner of Selection and Term of Office. The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the LWVCO and at least five (5) but no more than fourteen (14) elected directors. The directors shall be elected for a two-year term by LWVCO membership at the Annual Meeting. Half of the directors (rounding up, if necessary) shall be elected in odd numbered years and half in even numbered years (rounding down, if necessary). If there are vacancies on the Board of Directors at the close of Annual Meeting, the Board may appoint directors, who shall be considered thereafter as elected directors.

Sec. 2. Qualifications. No person shall be elected or appointed or shall continue to serve as an officer or director of the corporation unless the person is a voting member of the LWVUS, enrolled in a local League, an ILO, a SLU, or as a member-at-large of the LWVCO.

Sec. 3. Vacancies. Any vacancy other than in the office of the president shall be filled, until the next Annual Meeting, by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board. If there is a vacancy in the office of the President, the President Elect, if any, shall become President. If there is no President Elect, the 1st Vice President shall become President.

Sec. 4. Attendance. A Board member who is absent without permission from the President from three Board meetings during a calendar year may be considered to have resigned.

Sec. 5. Removal. A Board member may be removed by a 75% vote of the Board when, in the Board's judgment, it would be in the best interest of the LWVCO.

Sec. 6. Resignation. A Board member may resign at any time by giving written notice of resignation to the Board. The resignation is effective when the notice is received by the Board unless the notice specifies a later effective date.

Sec. 7. Compensation. Directors shall not receive any stated salaries or compensation for their services, but, by resolution of the Board, expenses may be allowed for attendance at any meeting of, or for, the Board

Sec. 8. Power and Duties. The Board of Directors shall have fiduciary responsibility and full charge of the property and business of the corporation with full power and authority to manage and conduct the same, subject to the instructions of the LWVCO membership. The Board shall plan and direct the work necessary to carry out Program, defined as "study and action on public policy issues" as adopted at the Annual Meeting. The LWVCO Board shall accept responsibility delegated to it by the Board of Directors of the LWVUS for the organization and development of local Leagues and guidance of ILOs and SLUs and for carrying out the Programs and action on issues and for promotion in the local Leagues of finance programs requisite to further the work of the League as a whole, including transmission of funds toward the support of adequate state and national budgets. In order to become fully recognized, a local League shall fulfill requirements of the state Board and the national Board.

Sec. 9. Regular Meetings. There shall be at least four (4) regular meetings of the Board of Directors annually. The president shall notify each member of the Board of Directors of all regular meetings by mail or by electronic means of communication at least ten (10) days before any such meeting, giving the time and place of the meeting. No action taken at any regular Board meetings attended by a majority of the members of the Board shall be invalidated because of the failure of any member or members of the Board to receive any notice properly sent or because of any irregularity in any notice actually received.

Sec. 10. Meeting by Alternative Means of Participation. Participation in a meeting by electronic or other means constitutes personal presence at the meeting. If action is taken by fewer than all members of the Board, the remaining members shall be notified promptly of that action.

Sec. 11. Emergency Meetings. The president shall call emergency meetings of the Board of Directors when she/he deems it necessary or upon the request of five (5) members of the Board.

Sec. 12. Quorum. A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 13. Conflict of Interest. Every Board member will read and sign a conflict of interest form annually. See Policy and Procedure Manual.

Sec. 14. Any two (2) or more offices may be held by the same person except the offices of President and Secretary.

## **ARTICLE VIII EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Sec. 1. Executive Committee. This committee shall be composed of the elected officers of the Board. Its main purpose is to facilitate decision making between Board meetings or in urgent and crisis circumstances. Three (3) members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum. Meetings may be held in person, by conference call or by other means of electronic communication. A full report of this committee meeting shall be presented to the next meeting of the Board.

## **ARTICLE IX NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Sec. 1. Nominating Committee. The nominating committee will consist of five (5) members, two (2) Board of Directors members and three (3) non-Board of Directors members. In addition, the President

and the Executive Director shall serve as non-voting ex-officio members.

## ARTICLE X EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Sec. 1. Executive Director. The Executive Director is hired and/or terminated by the votes of 2/3 of the Board. The Executive Director shall be the manager of all LWVCO activities and shall be responsible to the Board for the application and implementation of policies established by the Board in the operation of the agency. The Executive Director has day-to-day responsibility for the corporation, including hiring, supervising and terminating other staff. The Executive Director shall be a non-voting ex-officio member of the Board and all Board committees and may attend all functions of the Board, with the exception of executive sessions to discuss matters relating to the Executive Director's performance or contract. The Executive Director's duties and responsibilities shall be further described in their contract. The Executive Director may not be related by blood, marriage or domestic partnership to any Board member.

## ARTICLE XI COMMITTEES

Sec. 1. Committees. The state Board establishes standing committees and other committees as it may deem necessary to assist the Board in its work. The resolution establishing such committees shall state the purpose, timeline and authority of each committee. The designation and appointment of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not relieve the state Board of any responsibility imposed by law.

## ARTICLE XII PROGRAM: ISSUES FOR STUDY AND ACTION

Sec. 1. Principles. The LWVUS ~~government~~ principles adopted by the National Convention and supported by the League as a whole constitute the authorization for the adoption of Program. A position must be approved through a meeting of League membership. A special meeting may be called to secure a membership vote.

Sec. 2. Program. The Program of the LWVCO shall consist of action to implement the Principles and those ~~governmental~~ issues chosen for concerted study and action as follows:

A. Local, ILO and SLU Boards may make suggestions for new state studies or positions Program to the state Board at least two (2) months prior to the Annual Meeting. However, for issues with time constraints, suggestions for changes or additions may be expedited. A special meeting may be called to secure a membership vote. A special meeting requires representation from at least fifty percent (50%) of the local Leagues. A quorum shall consist of a number equal to twenty percent (20%) of the possible number of voting delegates, other than the Board of Directors, to the Annual Meeting.

B. At the State level, positions that affect the State as a whole may be initiated by the statewide program planning process, the LWVCO Board, or by any member or LL with notice to the Board. A position must be approved through a meeting of League membership. A special meeting may be called to secure a membership vote.

C. ~~b.~~ The state Board shall consider ~~these~~ suggestions and formulate a proposed Program, which shall be sent with the final call to the Annual Meeting or expedited by a call for a Special Meeting.

Sec. 3. Annual Meeting Action. The LWVCO membership shall adopt an agenda of issues by a majority vote on the proposed state Program recommended by the Board of Directors. Any suggestion from Local, ILO and SLU Boards for new or revised LWVCO positions requiring for state study and action submitted to the state Board and not approved by the state Board may be adopted by a three-fifths (3/5) vote at the Annual Meeting. A Special meeting may be called to secure a membership vote whenever time constraints are present.

Sec. 4. Member Action. Members may act in the name of the LWVCO only when authorized to do so by the LWVCO Board of Directors.

Sec. 5. League Action. Leagues may act in the name of the LWVCO only when authorized to do so by the LWVCO Board of Directors.

### **ARTICLE XIII ANNUAL MEETING**

Sec. 1. Place, Date and Call. The Annual Meeting of the LWVCO shall be held annually, with the purpose of considering and authorizing its program for study and action, electing officers and directors of the Board of Directors, approving the organizational budget, and conducting other needed business.

Sec. 2. Composition. The Annual Meeting shall consist of:

**A. VOTING MEMBERS (delegates)**

- 1) The delegates of each local League (LL) and State League Unit (SLU) are determined as stated in the Policy Manual.
- 2) The members of the Board of Directors of the LWVCO.
- 3) Each delegate shall be entitled to one (1) vote only at the Annual Meeting, even though the delegate may be attending in two (2) or more LWVCO capacities.

**B. OBSERVERS** - Members of LLs, ILOs, SLUs, individual members-at-large and guests may attend as non-voting observers as space permits and/or by electronic means.

Sec. 3. Representation & Voting. The members of the LWVUS who are organized into recognized local Leagues in the State of Colorado shall be entitled to voting representation in the Annual Meeting provided in the Policy Manual.

Sec. 4. Quorum. Twenty percent (20%) of the possible number of voting delegates, other than the Board of Directors, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting, if there is representation from at least fifty percent (50%) of the local Leagues.

### **ARTICLE XIV RECOGNITION OF LOCAL LEAGUES, INTER-LEAGUE ORGANIZATIONS AND LEAGUE UNITS**

Sec. 1. Local Leagues.

**A.** Local Leagues are those Leagues which have been so recognized by the LWVUS.

**B.** The LWVCO Board of Directors shall recommend to the Board of the LWVUS that it recognize as a local League any group of members of the LWVUS in any community within the state provided the

group meets qualifying requirements for local Leagues.

**Sec. 2. Inter-League Organization.**

A. Members enrolled in local Leagues may create formal or informal ILOs in order to promote the purpose of the League and act on county, metropolitan or regional governmental matters of common concern.

B. ILOs shall be organized in conformity with qualifying requirements formulated by the national Board of Directors and adopted by the National Convention.

C. All funds held by an ILO from which recognition has been withdrawn shall be prorated among Leagues responsible for funding the ILO.

**Sec. 3. State League Units.** SLUs composed of members-at-large shall be organized at the discretion of the state Board and bear the same relationship to the state Board as units of a local League bear to the local League Board.

**Sec. 4. Withdrawal of Recognition.** The state Board may recommend to the national Board that recognition be withdrawn from a local League or ILO and may dissolve a SLU when it has been determined that there has been recurring failure to meet qualifying requirements. In the event of recurring failure of a local League to meet these qualifying requirements, the Board of Directors of the LWVCO may recommend to the national Board that it withdraw recognition from the local League.

**Sec. 5. Disposal of Funds and/or other Property.**

A. When recognition has been withdrawn from a League organization, monies and securities which may at the time be owned by or under the control of that organization shall be paid to the LWVCO after the state and national per member payments and other obligations have been met.

B. All other property which may at the time be owned or under the control of the League or SLU shall be disposed of to such person, organization or corporation for such public, charitable or educational uses and purposes as the Board of the group in its absolute discretion may designate.

C. When recognition is withdrawn from an ILO or similar group, the funds remaining in the treasury after all obligations have been met shall be distributed in equal part to the local Leagues that constituted its membership.

**ARTICLE XV  
MANAGEMENT**

**Sec 1. Staff.** The Board of Directors is authorized to hire such staff as needed to carry out the purpose of the corporation.

**Sec. 2. Books and Records.** The LWVCO shall keep correct and complete books and records of account, minutes of the proceedings of its Board and such other records as may be necessary or advisable or required by law at the registered or principal office of the LWVCO. All books and records of the LWVCO may be inspected by a director for any proper purpose at any reasonable time, upon reasonable notice to the secretary of the LWVCO.

**ARTICLE XVI  
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**



Sec. 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the League of Women Voters of Colorado shall commence on the first (1st) day of July of each year and end on the thirtieth (30) day of June of the following year.

**Sec. 2. Financial Support.**

A. Dues. Each member shall pay annual dues (except as provided for in the Policy and Procedure manual). Members-at-large pay dues directly to the LWVCO. Dues from members of SLUs will be collected by the unit secretary/treasurer and forwarded to the LWVCO.

B. National and State Per Member Payment. Each local League shall make a national per member payment (PMP) in the amount to be determined by the LWVUS and a state per member payment in the amount determined by a three-fifths (3/5) vote at the state Annual Meeting. National PMP and state per member payment are included in the dues paid by members-at-large and members of SLUs.

**ARTICLE XVII  
NATIONAL CONVENTION AND COUNCIL**

Sec. 1. National Convention/Council the Board of Directors of the LWVCO at a meeting before the date on which names of delegates must be sent to the LWVUS shall elect delegates to the National Convention/Council in the number allowed by the LWVCO under the provisions of the bylaws of the LWVUS.

**ARTICLE XVIII  
INDEMNIFICATION**

Sec. 1. Indemnification. The LWVCO shall indemnify any director, officer, specified representative or former director, officer or specified representative of the LWVCO or any person who may have served at its request against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with the defense of any action, suit or proceeding, civil or criminal, in which s/he is made a party by reason of being or having been an officer or director of the LWVCO, except in relation to matters as to which s/he is adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of her/his duty to the LWVCO.

**ARTICLE XIX  
PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

Sec. 1. Parliamentary Authority. The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the corporation in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the bylaws of the League of Women Voters of Colorado.

**ARTICLE XX  
AMENDMENTS**

Sec. 1. Amendments. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote at any Annual Meeting of the LWVCO using the following procedures:

A. Proposals for change shall be submitted by the Board of any local League, ILO, SLU, or by the state Board. Such proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing to the state Board at least three (3) months prior to the opening date of the Annual Meeting.

B. All such proposed amendments together with the recommendations of the Board of Directors of the LWVCO shall be sent to the presidents/leaders of local Leagues and ILOs and to the leaders of SLUs at least two (2) months prior to the opening date of the Annual Meeting.

C. The presidents/leaders of local Leagues, ILOs and leaders of SLUs shall notify the members of their respective Leagues or units of the proposed amendments. Failure of any member to receive such notice shall not invalidate amendments to the bylaws of the LWVCO.



## President and Executive Director 2022 End-of-Year Report Karen Sheek and Beth Hendrix

This past year has proved that the League is needed now more than ever as our mission, **Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy**, has expanded. Previously, empowering voters meant giving voters the nonpartisan resources needed to make an informed vote and be civically active. Now, it includes providing education to counter disinformation so that voters may continue to trust the integrity of our elections systems and our government officials. Defending democracy is even more urgent now than ever before. Election falsehoods, growing nationalism, and xenophobia, combined with heightened partisan divisions, have resulted in legislation across the United States restricting voting by limiting access and ease of participation in the voting process, while gerrymandering makes it next to impossible in some states for the two-party system to work.

But the League always fights back for equity and justice. We drive positive change!

The 2021 redistricting process was the first since the passage of Amendments Y&Z, establishing independent commissions to handle congressional and legislative redistricting. LWVCO put a lot of energy into educating the voting public about the commissions and encouraging citizens to apply. We explained the process the commissions were required to follow, how the public could provide input, the maps themselves, and much more. We created a statewide Redistricting Observer Corps of more than 100 League members who attended more than 80% of all commission and sub-commission meetings as well as public hearings. The Corps followed the redistricting process and ultimately issued a statement declaring that the redistricting process in Colorado had properly followed the Constitution as amended by Y&Z.

LWVCO actively worked to combat mis- and disinformation about Colorado and U.S. election systems and processes. When an elected official, candidate, or celebrity publicly stated mis/disinformation, the League provided accurate information with no reference to the original message.

Colorado League members researched, developed and passed a new position for statewide action on election security. This Election Security Position will be introduced at the June 2022 LWVUS Convention for concurrence.

New statewide task forces in housing, healthcare, and news access and literacy have been created to increase our advocacy efforts, visibility, and member engagement. These task forces inform, serve as advisories for, and work in alignment with, our Legislative Action Committee. They are open to any Colorado League member.

LWVCO increased ongoing member trainings/discussion groups. We held forums that focused on member engagement, communications, fostering non-partisan partnerships, fundraising, and voter services.

We encouraged all Colorado Leagues to reactivate Observer Corps to combat the rise in anti-democratic actions at the school board level and in elections positions around the state.

As the Board examined our strategic objectives for the year, we prioritized proactivity along with reactivity. We are working with partners to draft and pass several pieces of legislation:

- An amendment passed in 2020 inadvertently (we believe) removed the right of 17-year-olds to vote in primaries if they'll be 18 by the general election; we're working with the Senate President and partners to draft a bill to reinstate this right.
- While the redistricting process went smoothly and as intended by Colorado voters, the two commissions did identify a number of tweaks needed to improve future processes; one involving the archiving of demographic data at the precinct level, which is currently refreshed with each report. We're working with the SOS and State Demographer to correct this.
- We're working with a state representative to draft a bill making all ballot return envelopes postage paid.

Our Legislative Action Committee (LAC) was key in promoting passage of the Reproductive Health Equity Act, codifying the right to abortion, and the Safe to Vote Act, disallowing open carry within 100 feet of a polling place or ballot dropbox, as well over 100 other important bills. Following recent LAC testimony on the Protections for Elections Officials bill, Rep. Jennifer Bacon stated, "LWV has long focused on educating and engaging women (and all voters) in democracy and must now advocate for their safety when doing so."

LWVCO joined the NAACP, and La Familia Vota to work with Free Speech for People in filing a federal lawsuit in March against the US Election Integrity Plan, a group pushing the Big Lie through door-to-door canvassing.

A state-wide committee has been working diligently for more than a year to draft a whitepaper on Colorado's gold standard election system. It will be presented at LWVUS Convention this summer so League members across the country can use it in their advocacy efforts. Colorado Leagues will be encouraged to use it to educate Colorado voters about the processes and safeguards built into the system, assuring voters they can have confidence in Colorado's election system.

Statewide, Colorado Leagues held more than 280 events this past year that were attended by almost 10,000 people.

Each member of the LWVCO Board of Directors exemplifies their commitment to LWVCO through their time, talent, and treasure — we regularly have 100% attendance at meetings, and all have contributed their expertise and their hard-earned money to support the organization. For this, we are truly grateful!

LWVCO staff and the Board are available to discuss ideas and concerns, answer questions, and provide support as needed -- please don't hesitate to contact us.

And last, but certainly not least, THANK YOU for your dedication and work for the League in supporting our great democracy, which has bent in the past few years but not broken.

Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karen Sheek".

Karen Sheek  
President

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Beth Hendrix".

Beth Hendrix  
Executive Director



## **2022 Action and Advocacy Report**

### **Legislative Action Committee**

**Toni Larson and Andrea Wilkins**

First, I want to thank all our hard-working volunteer lobbyists. It is amazing how much they know and how much they do. We have been following and working on over 100 bills this session (2022) and a like number in 2021. We are making a difference.

The following discusses the work of Action and Advocacy and the Legislative Action Committee over the year.

Redistricting is over for this round. The next redistricting will occur in 2030. Commissioners of the independent redistricting commissions selected three maps to be used for the next ten years. The maps can be found on the independent redistricting commissions website. The maps redraw population lines that determine legislative districts. Some League members provided comments about how the lines were drawn and the process. Beth Malmkog and Jeanne Clelland worked on defining “competitiveness” and researched potential improvements to the process. The Colorado Supreme Court reviewed the maps submitted to it and found the constitution had been followed and the process fulfilled the requirements of the Colorado Constitution. There was a challenge to the congressional map, but the court did not accept the argument contained in the challenge. The Secretary of State questioned a few boundaries, and as asked they were adjusted. Very few people would be effective, perhaps around 17. The League is working with the Department of Local Affairs, specifically the state demographer and the Secretary of State to make some changes in the process of collecting and saving precinct maps particularly.

A Colorado League committee working on election security contacted the Oregon League working on the same topic. The intention on our part was to come to agreement between the two versions and to offer one version to the 2022 LWVUS convention for concurrence. The election security committee presented a position statement to all members of the League of Women Voters of Colorado to approve the election security statement. One hundred percent of those in attendance approved the statement. The Colorado board approved the statement as well. At this point the Election Security Committee, comprised of Maud Naroll, Gaythia Weis, Neal McDermott, Barbara Mattison, Karen Sheek, and Toni Larson, is working on gaining approval of the concurrence statement by the LWV United States at its convention in June.

A usual practice of Action and Advocacy and LAC is to track potential ballot issues which we did for November 2021 and currently for fall of 2022. We are trying out a different process this year. We are taking a position on initiatives and referendum as they are approved for circulation. There are two advantages to this: (1) It will encourage our members to sign or not sign specific initiatives, and (2) people frequently ask about our positions on ballot issues before September, the date we use now. The

Legislative Action Committee will discuss each proposal and then pass its recommendation on to the LWVCO board. The board will take the final action. There were three statewide issues in 2021. The pamphlet was printed for distribution. It looks like it will be a much longer ballot this year and require more work on the part of the League.

Of course, we spend a great deal of time on legislative activities during the sessions. And, during the interim we follow committees and keep our ear to the ground to find out what legislation might be introduced at the next session. To check out the legislation the LAC is following, go to the LWVCO website.

The *Issues for Action* book was updated and edited.

The Action and Advocacy group, mainly Andrea Wilkins and Toni Larson, worked on rejuvenating legislative training. Four segments have been developed with all of them nearing completion. The first part focusing on basics was presented in November 20, 2021 and the second part was presented in January 2022. Further presentations will be made in the next few months.

We spent time identifying and following through on ways to improve the Legislative Action Committee. A main objective was to streamline discussions of bills and lessen the time spent in the LAC meeting. We have been successful generally in both cases.

We continue to keep our eyes open for the need for legislation that will improve various areas of interest to us. Two items on the list are: return the right to register to vote to 17-year-olds and the potential for prepaid vote by mail returned postage.

We continued to work on voting rights and other legislation at the congressional level.

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