



***Empowering Voters - Defending Democracy***

**New Member Orientation Manual**

**2026**

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# 1 LWV Martin County Leadership/ Teams/Meetings

*Who's Who at-a-Glance*

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<b>Website</b>	LWVMartinCounty.org
<b>Regular Meetings</b>	2:00 pm - 2nd Wednesday of each month <u>except for Luncheons</u>
<b>Location</b>	Morgade Library - 5851 SE Community Drive, Stuart, 34997
<b>Luncheon/Meetings</b>	May 13, 2026, Oct. 14, 2026, January 13, 2027, March 10, 2027 \$35 per person - RSVP and Payment Required
<b>Location</b>	Two Georges Dockside Grille - 4290 SE Salerno Road, Stuart
<b>Teams meet monthly or as needed in a place and time determined by team.</b>	

## 2 Mission & Foundation

*Where we came from — and why it matters*

### Our Rich Legacy

1920	The League of Women Voters was formally organized on <b>February 14, 1920</b> , in Chicago, six months before the ratification of the <b>19th Amendment</b> , which granted women the right to vote. Its creation was proposed by <b>Carrie Chapman Catt</b> at the 1919 National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA) Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, as a way to “finish the fight” and educate women on their new responsibilities as voters. The League merged the <b>National Council of Women Voters</b> and NAWSA’s state organizations to form a nonpartisan national organization. The LWW was founded nationally to empower women voters and promote informed, nonpartisan civic engagement, evolving into a major force in U.S. democracy over the past century.
Early Advocacy Roots	From its inception, the League focused on <b>citizen education and legislative advocacy</b> . Its first major legislative success was the <b>Sheppard-Sheppard-Towner Act of 1921</b> , providing federal aid for maternal and child health programs. During the 1920s, the League also addressed child labor, women’s working rights, and voter education, establishing local branches and nationwide “get out the vote” campaigns.
Mid – 20th Century Activities	In the Post World War II era, the League played a key role in <b>supporting the establishment of the United Nations</b> . In 1957, the <b>League of Women Voters Education Fund</b> was created to expand voter registration and public understanding of policy issues. The League also began addressing civil rights and voting access, challenging restrictive voter registration laws in northern and southern states.
Modern Era	In the 2000s, the League launched <b>VOTE411.org</b> , a bilingual online platform providing voters with candidate information, polling locations, and ballot resources. The League also initiated People Powered Fair Maps to combat partisan gerrymandering and promote fair redistricting. Today, the League operates nationally with over 500,000 members, continuing its mission to <b>educate voters, defend democracy, and advocate for equal access to the ballot</b> .
The Mission Continues	Over its 100+ year history, the League of Women Voters has evolved from a “mighty political experiment” to a <b>nonpartisan, influential organization</b> shaping public policy, promoting civic engagement, and empowering women and men to participate fully in democracy. Its work spans voter education, legislative advocacy, and leadership development, reflecting a commitment to <b>inclusive, informed, and active citizenship</b> .

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## Mission, Vision & Core Values

<b>Mission</b>	Empower voters and defending democracy through education, advocacy, and nonpartisan civic engagement.
<b>Vision</b>	A democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate.
<b>Nonpartisan-ship</b>	<b>We never support or oppose any political party or candidate — our strength is our independence.</b>
<b>Inclusivity</b>	We welcome members of all backgrounds, beliefs, and political perspectives. Men and women are equally welcome.
<b>Empowerment</b>	We believe an informed citizenry is the foundation of a healthy democracy.
<b>Action</b>	We don't just study issues — <b>we take positions and advocate for change.</b>

## LWV Organizational Structure

National & State Level	Local Chapter — Martin County
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LWVUS sets national positions and coordinates 800+ local leagues.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operates independently under LWVFL and LWVUS umbrella.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LWVFL coordinates Florida statewide legislation and member resources.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adopts local positions relevant to Martin County Issues.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual conventions set positions and elect leadership at each level.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Runs its own programs: voter registration, candidate forums, advocacy.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National and state dues support centralized programs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elected board governs day-to-day operations.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members set priorities through consensus and vote.</li> </ul>
<b>Members</b>	Open to ALL regardless of gender — men and women are equally welcome.

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## 3 Membership & Roles

*Understanding your place in the League*

### Member Rights & Responsibilities

#### Rights:

- Vote in League elections
- Participate in consensus discussions
- Serve on committees
- Run for board positions

#### Responsibilities:

- Pay annual dues
- Stay informed on League positions
- Represent the League nonpartisanly
- Attend meetings or League events, remain an active member, share information

- **Members may speak AS THE LEAGUE only when expressing an adopted League position. When speaking as a private citizen, always make clear you are NOT speaking for the League.**

- *When in doubt about whether you can speak for the League, ask the President or a Board member first.*

### Board Structure & Leadership Roles

<b>Co-President</b>	Leads the organization, represents the League publicly, chairs board meetings.
<b>Vice President</b>	Support the President and lead specific programs or committees.
<b>Secretary</b>	Records minutes, manages official correspondence and records.
<b>Treasurer</b>	Manages finances, prepares budget, files required reports.
<b>Committee Chairs</b>	Lead specific focus areas (Voter Services, Advocacy, Programs, etc.).

Board meets on the first Tuesday of the month — all members are welcome to attend as observers. Board elections are held annually; any member in good standing may run. Check the newsletter or calendar for location.

## Committees & Ways to Get Involved

<b>Voter Services</b>	Voter registration drives, candidate forums, voter guides <b>ALL MEMBERS ARE PART OF VOTER SERVICES DURING ELECTION YEARS</b>
<b>Advocacy/Action</b>	Monitors legislation, coordinates advocacy campaigns
<b>Programs</b>	Plans member education meetings and community speakers
<b>Communications</b>	Manages website, social media, newsletters, and press
<b>Membership</b>	Recruits new members, plans welcome/social events <b>ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO INVITE LIKEMINDED AND NOT SO LIKE MINDED FRIENDS/FAMILY TO MEETINGS AND EVENTS.</b>
<b>Nominating</b>	Identifies and recruits candidates for board elections
<b>Education</b>	Monitors legislation, coordinates advocacy campaigns on related issues
<b>Environment</b>	Monitors legislation, coordinates advocacy campaigns on related issues
<b>Gun Violence Prevention</b>	Monitors legislation, coordinates advocacy campaigns on related issues
<b>Health Care</b>	Monitors legislation, coordinates advocacy campaigns on related issues

☐ **State committee leads host monthly issue focused calls that keep team leads/members in the loop on what’s happening in Tallahassee and around the state and the League’s position on issues.**

☐ *New members are encouraged to join at least one committee or start a committee on other issues the League has a position. Ad-hoc committees also form around special issues or events — jump in anytime!*

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## 4 Advocacy & Positions

*How the League speaks with one voice*

### How the League Develops Positions

<b>1</b>	<b>STUDY</b>	Members conduct deep research and discussion on a topic. Your participation matters here.
<b>2</b>	<b>CONSENSUS</b>	After study, members reach broad agreement on the direction to take.
<b>3</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	Consensus becomes an official Position, authorizing advocacy and public statements.
<b>4</b>	<b>ADVOCACY</b>	The League speaks, testifies, and acts — always within the adopted position.

**Positions can be adopted at local, state, or national level — or all three. Positions are periodically reviewed and updated to reflect new information.**

### What We Advocate For & How We Advocate

What We Advocate For	How We Advocate
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Democracy &amp; voting rights (voting access, election integrity, redistricting)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Testimony at public hearings and legislative sessions</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education funding and equity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letters and calls to elected officials</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental protection, clean water, and climate policy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coalition building with allied organizations</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health care access and equity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public statements and op-eds</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gun safety legislation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hosting community education events</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's issues and reproductive rights</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voter education and engagement campaigns</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Martin County priorities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nonpartisan — no endorsements, ever</li> </ul>

### The Nonpartisan Principle — Critical Rules

- The League NEVER endorses, supports, or opposes any political candidate or political party.
- Members may participate in partisan politics personally — but NEVER in the League's name.
- At candidate forums, all candidates of all parties are invited and treated equally.
- Voter guides present facts about candidates — no ratings, no endorsements, no opinions.
- If asked 'who should I vote for?' — answer: 'We encourage you to research and decide for yourself.'
- **Our nonpartisanship is our greatest asset — it gives us credibility with everyone.**

## 5 Voter Services

*The heart of what we do*

### Voter Registration Drives

- Registration drives are one of our most impactful activities — every new voter matters.
- Florida law requires voter registration volunteers to be trained and follow specific rules.
- Registrants are given their registration form to complete along with a postage paid envelop to mail to the Supervisor of Elections. Because of new voter registration rules, League members are no longer able to collect completed voter registration forms. Completed registration forms must be submitted to the Supervisor of Elections within 10 days.
- We do NOT tell people who to vote for — only how to register and participate.
- Drives are held at community events, schools, libraries, naturalization ceremonies, and more.
- Volunteers must be nonpartisan during drives — no buttons, shirts, or political materials.
- Training is provided before every drive — no experience necessary!

### Candidate Forums & Debates

- The League is widely respected for running fair, organized candidate forums.
- All legally qualified candidates for a race are invited — we do not pick and choose.
- Questions are developed in advance — focused on issues, not political attacks.
- A neutral moderator facilitates — often a League member or respected community figure.
- Strict equal time rules ensure all candidates are treated identically.
- Forums are open to the public and often recorded or live-streamed.
- The League does NOT comment on candidate performance after forums.
- Planning a forum requires 6–8 weeks of lead time — volunteers needed at every stage.

### Florida Voting Essentials

<b>Registration Deadline</b>	29 days before any election
<b>Vote-by-Mail Request</b>	Must be received by Supervisor at least 12 days before Election Day
<b>Same-Day Registration</b>	NOT available in Florida — plan ahead!
<b>ID Requirement</b>	Valid REAL Valid Florida ID/Drivers License, Passport or Birth Certificate with signature required to vote in person
<b>Poll Hours</b>	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM on Election Day
<b>Voter Guides</b>	Strictly factual — covers candidates, ballot measures, and how to vote

Always encourage people to vote — and remind them to check their registration at [VOTE411.org](http://VOTE411.org) or [MartinVotes.gov](http://MartinVotes.gov)!

## 6 Community Engagement

*Building relationships that strengthen democracy*

### Local Partnerships & Coalition Building

<b>Libraries &amp; Civic Orgs</b>	Natural partners for voter engagement events and community outreach.
<b>Civil Rights Allies</b>	NAACP, ACLU, and other civil rights organizations — voter access allies.
<b>LWVFL</b>	State League provides coordination, resources, and statewide advocacy support.
<b>Environmental Groups</b>	Aligned on clean water and Everglades restoration advocacy. Sierra Club, VoteWater, Friends of The Everglades, Rivers Coalition.
<b>Education Groups</b>	Families for Strong Public Schools, Retired Educators of Martin County.
<b>Gun Violence Prevention</b>	Council on Aging/Kane Center, Helping People Succeed, Veterans Association

*Always engage as a nonpartisan partner — our credibility depends on it.*

### Communications & Social Media Guidelines

#### ✓ DO

- Share League events and posts on your personal social media — encouraged!
- Refer media inquiries (TV, radio, newspaper) to the President or spokesperson.
- Use approved League templates and distribution lists for emails and newsletters.

#### X DON'T

- Post opinions or political commentary attributed to the League.
- Imply you speak for the League when posting as a private citizen.
- Create new League social media accounts without checking with Local leadership.
- Speak 'on the record' for the League without authorization from the President.

### Martin County Civic Landscape

- Martin County is governed by a 5-member Board of County Commissioners (elected by district).
- Municipalities include: Stuart (county seat), Palm City, Hobe Sound, Jensen Beach, and Indiantown.
- Key local issues: Indian River Lagoon water quality, Lake Okeechobee discharges, Everglades restoration.
- Growth pressures: balancing infrastructure, affordable housing, and environmental protection.
- Martin County School Board — 5 elected members — education policy and funding.
- Martin County Supervisor of Elections — key partner for all voter services work.

## 7 Operations & Administration

*The practical side of league membership*

### Meetings, Dues & Expectations

<b>General Meetings</b>	Held monthly — Open to the public. <b>Check the calendar or newsletter!</b>
<b>Board Meetings</b>	Open to all members as observers — <b>Check the calendar or newsletter!</b>
<b>Annual Meeting</b>	Held each spring — elect officers, review positions, vote on budget.
<b>Annual Dues</b>	Supports Local Leagues, LWVFL and LWWUS.
<b>Financial Hardship</b>	Speak privately with president — no member is turned away for inability to pay.
<b>Membership</b>	Renewal sent annually from LWWUS. \$75 fee

Update your contact info with at [LWWUS.org](http://LWWUS.org) so you never miss an announcement!

### Tools, Resources & How to Stay Connected

- **LWWUS Action Center:** [lww.org](http://lww.org) — national positions on issues, advocacy tools, member resources, membership renewals and **local Member Directory:** protect privacy, do not distribute externally.
- **LWVFL Portal:** [lwwfl.org](http://lwwfl.org) — state-level resources, training, and advocacy alerts.
- **Email List:** Primary communication channel — check your spam folder if you're not receiving messages.
- **Local Website:** [lwwmartincounty.org](http://lwwmartincounty.org) — events, positions, voter guide, and more.
- **Social Media:** (Facebook, Instagram & X): Follow and share our pages to amplify our reach!

Members Only site is hosted on the LWWUS website. There you can manage your profile information (please make sure your information is up to date), make dues payments and more!

Notes:

### Maneuvering Websites



LWVMartinCounty.org

(Scroll Down to find)

Major political and policy issues LWVFL focuses on:

Click for details...

 CLEAN ENERGY	 ELECTION REFORM	 EDUCATION	 ETHICS & CAMPAIGN FINANCE
 GUN SAFETY	 HEALTH CARE	 IMMIGRATION	 JUVENILE JUSTICE
 NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE	 NATURAL RESOURCES	 POVERTY	 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH & JUSTICE

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS IS A NONPARTISAN, GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION [CLICK HERE TO READ OUR NONPARTISAN POLICY.](#)


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## CURRENT FOCUS POINTS


### LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES



LWVFL works to advocate for better Florida for all by drafting, supporting and opposing state legislation. Our grassroots membership determines specific legislative goals within various policy issues each year.

[LEARN MORE](#)


### NEW CLE OPPORTUNITY: VOTING RIGHTS RESTORATION



Join us for the 2025 CLE summit on restoration of voting rights after felony conviction, hosted with the University of South Florida. This is approved for 5.5 hours of CLE credit by The Florida Bar.

[LEARN MORE](#)


### VOTER SERVICES



Much of LWVFL's history stems from our work to register, empower and educate voters. We work endlessly to register new voters, host candidate forums and educate the public on various issues.


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LWVUS.org



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[LWV Store](#) | [Member Log In](#) | [Take Action](#)



## VOTE 411

Register to vote, find your polling place,  
look up your ballot, and more at  
[VOTE411.org](https://VOTE411.org).

**YOUR VOTE MATTERS**

- It determines your access to [affordable health care](#)
- It lifts up the voices of those most impacted by [climate change](#)
- It ensures that [we're all represented](#) in our government, not just those of us with greater wealth or systemic advantages
- It promotes [immigration reform](#), including family reunification and political asylum

In 2024, **more than 9.5 million people** found nonpartisan voting resources on VOTE411, including approximately 250,000 Spanish speakers.

## 8 Current Focus Areas

*What we're working on right now in Martin County*

### Democracy & Voting Rights Priorities

**Voter Access** - Ensuring registration, early voting, and mail voting remain accessible to all eligible Floridians.

**Redistricting** - Monitoring fair district implementation following Florida Supreme Court decisions.

**Election Integrity** - Supporting transparent, secure, and accessible elections.

**Civic Education** - Promoting civics curriculum and engagement among youth voters.

#### Upcoming Election & Legislative Calendar

##### **Florida Primary Election:**

**Vote by Mail: July 9 - August 6, Early Voting: August 8 - 15, Election Day: August 18**

##### **General (National) Election:**

**Vote by Mail: September 24 - October 22, Early Voting: October 21 - 31, Election Day: November 3**

**Florida Legislative Session: January 13, 2026, and adjourn on March 13, 2026**

## Environmental Priorities — Martin County

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**Native Plants:** Raising awareness on the benefits of propagating and planting native plants.

**Manatee Protection:** Ask Martin County Sheriff and Florida Wildlife Commission to enforce manatee “slow/no wake” zones.

**Clean Water Advocacy:** Preserve mangroves, grasses and native plants along shores.

**Demand Mechanical Harvesting of Sugarcane Fields:** Sugarcane burns cause respiratory problems, acute renal dysfunction and may increase mortality among workers and people living in western communities.

**Stop the Rock Mine:** FL Sugar plans to build a tax-payer-funded rock mine. This proposal has no verifiable environmental benefit or approval and the blasting of 8,600 acres will cause destruction of the Everglades.

## Educational Priorities — Martin County

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**Promote adequate funding** of public education with no use of public funding for the expansion of funding of private education through a voucher program.

**Support a statewide assessment and accountability system** that provides valid data and appropriate intervals to measure student progress for all students and schools that receive public funds directly and indirectly. Data should be used to identify areas where increased support is needed.

**Charter school quality, management, and cost-efficiency.**

**Impact of school choice** on school racial and economic segregation and local control of education policy.

## Gun Violence Prevention — Martin County

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**Myths vs Realities:** Raising awareness on the gun violence in Florida and the importance of storing guns safely and securely.

**Lock it Up Campaign:** Distribution of gun locks to the public.

**Efforts to reduce and prevent gun crimes, injuries, and deaths via:**

- A state ban on all semiautomatic assault weapons and large-capacity feeding devices
- Comprehensive universal background checks and ensuring that the State provides all relevant records to the FBI’s National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS)
- Continuing efforts to defeat unsafe gun legislation, such as Open Carry, Campus Carry, and Stand Your Ground expansion.

## Other Issues awaiting local Leadership — That the LWVFL has positions on

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<b>Healthcare</b>	<b>National Popular Vote</b>
<b>Immigration</b>	<b>Poverty</b>
<b>Juvenile Justice</b>	<b>Reproductive Health &amp; Justice</b>

## 9 Volunteer Opportunities

*Find your fit - there's a role for everyone*

### How to Find Your Role

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- Every skill is welcome — you don't need to be a policy expert to make a difference.
- Tell us your interests and availability — we'll connect you with the right committee or task.
- Volunteering is flexible — some roles are one-time events, others are ongoing commitments.
- The most important thing is to start — pick one activity and get involved.
- Fill out your Volunteer Interest Form today!

### IMMEDIATE NEEDS *\*indicates Board Position*

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From accounting to party planning, we need your skills! Help our local league by volunteering today!

**\*SPEAKERS BUREAU CHAIR (term 2026-2028):** Secure venues for meetings, with board support - schedule speakers for League meetings/events, prepare speaker's bio and introduce, get and present speaker gift, write follow up thank you card to speaker.

**\*TREASURER (term 2026-2028):** Maintain accurate financial records and bookkeeping, Manage the chapter's bank account and reconcile statements monthly, Process deposits and pay approved expenses in a timely manner, Work with the board to develop the annual budget and Monitor spending, Collect and record member dues, File required federal and/or state tax returns or exemption reports (e.g., IRS Form 990), Attend all board meetings.

**CANDIDTE FORUM/TOWN HALL COORDINATOR & TEAM:** Work with leadership to create events: Establish location, contact candidates, secure facilitator, schedule event, work with teams to create issue focused questions, coordinate 'Day of' needs, clean up and thank you notes.

**MARKETING/SOCIAL MEDIA:** Promote League endorsed events via social media, Create event flyers, Establish YouTube Channel and Post League Videos for public viewing.

### Your Next Steps — Checklist

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- Fill out your Volunteer Interest Form
- Connect with a committee that interests you
- Mark your calendar for the next general meeting
- Follow the League on social media and spread the word
- Sign up for LWWFL Action Alerts at [lwvfl.org](http://lwvfl.org)

## 10 Contacts & Resources

*Key links and references*

### Key Websites & Resources

<b>LWV Martin County</b>	<a href="http://lwmartincounty.org">lwmartincounty.org</a>	Events, positions, voter guide, member info
<b>LWV Florida</b>	<a href="http://lwvfl.org">lwvfl.org</a>	State resources, training, advocacy alerts
<b>LWV National</b>	<a href="http://lwv.org">lwv.org</a>	National positions, advocacy tools
<b>Martin County Elections</b>	<a href="http://martinvotes.gov">martinvotes.gov</a>	Voter registration, election dates
<b>Florida Voter Info</b>	<a href="http://dos.myflorida.com/vote.org">dos.myflorida.com / vote.org</a>	Statewide voter registration info
<b>LWVFL Action Alerts</b>	<a href="http://lwvfl.org/action">lwvfl.org/action</a>	Sign up to be notified when advocacy is needed

### Martin County Government Contacts

<b>Supervisor of Elections</b>	135 SE Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Stuart, FL 34994	<a href="http://martinvotes.gov">martinvotes.gov</a>
<b>Board of County Commissioners</b>	2401 SE Monterey Rd, Stuart, FL 34996	<a href="http://martin.fl.us">martin.fl.us</a>
<b>Martin County School Board</b>	500 E. Ocean Blvd, Stuart, FL 34994	<a href="http://martinschools.org">martinschools.org</a>
<b>State Representative</b>	Find your rep at <a href="http://myfloridahouse.gov">myfloridahouse.gov</a>	<a href="http://myfloridahouse.gov">myfloridahouse.gov</a>
<b>State Senator</b>	Find your senator at <a href="http://flsenate.gov">flsenate.gov</a>	<a href="http://flsenate.gov">flsenate.gov</a>

**Welcome to the League of Women Voters of Martin County.**

*You are now part of over 100 years of civic courage.*

## 11 Volunteer Interest Form

*Lets get you busy!*

Welcome! Please fill out this form so we can connect you with the right opportunities.  
Return it today.

### Your Contact Information

Full Name	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
Best Way to Reach You	
City / Neighborhood	

### Your Availability

How many hours per month can you volunteer? (circle one):

**1–2 hrs    3–5 hrs    6–10 hrs    10+ hrs    Varies**

Preferred days/times for volunteering:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM

### Areas of Interest - Check all that apply

#### Voter Services

<input type="checkbox"/>	Voter registration drives
<input type="checkbox"/>	Candidate forum planning and coordination
<input type="checkbox"/>	Candidate forum moderating or time-keeping
<input type="checkbox"/>	Voter guide research and writing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Voter guide distribution and outreach

#### Advocacy & Policy

<input type="checkbox"/>	Monitor and report on local government meetings (county commission, school board)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attend state legislative hearings and report back to members
<input type="checkbox"/>	Write letters or emails to elected officials
<input type="checkbox"/>	Participate in issue study committees (research and consensus)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Testify or speak at public hearings

## Communications & Outreach

<input type="checkbox"/>	Write for the newsletter or blog
<input type="checkbox"/>	Manage or post on social media (Facebook, Instagram, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Photography or video at League events
<input type="checkbox"/>	Website updates and maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Represent the League at community events and tabling

## Membership & Program

<input type="checkbox"/>	Welcome and onboard new members
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plan or host League programs and speaker events
<input type="checkbox"/>	Help with membership recruitment and retention
<input type="checkbox"/>	Assist with orientation events (like this one!)

## Administration & Event Support

<input type="checkbox"/>	Help set up/break down events
<input type="checkbox"/>	Assist with mailing, printing, and materials preparation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide refreshments or food for meetings
<input type="checkbox"/>	Financial support: grant writing or donor outreach
<input type="checkbox"/>	Legal, accounting, or professional pro-bono services

## Skills & Experience

What special skills, professional expertise, or community connections are you willing to share with The League?

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**Thank You, Democracy Lover! Someone from the Board will reach out to you.**