COMMITTEE LIST
10/20/2025

Committee	Description	Chair
	STANDING COMMITTEES	
ACTION/ ADVOCACY	Person or committee monitors committee work and actions and reports to the Board.	
BUDGET AND FINANCE	Work with Treasurer to prepare the budget and monitor investments and expenses.	Cathy Kaiser kaiser.cathy@gmail.com
DEVELOPMENT AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE	Members assist with development and fundraising strategy and oversight. Members participate in our major fundraiser Celebrating Leadership Awards and other events.	Katheryne KTEE Thomas ktee.weho@gmail.com
CELEBRATING LEADERSHIP AWARDS EVENT (Sub-committee of Development/ Fundraising)	This event is the major fundraiser. We honor community leaders and league leaders during this afternoon event. We raise money through ticket sales, donations, sponsorships, and advertisements.	Leslie Rodriguez leslie.c.rodriguez@outlook.com Carla Fuentes cfuentesgvg@gmail.com
CIVIC SOCIETY (Sub-committee of Development/ Fundraising)	Members donate $1000 or more to join. There are 3 to 4 meetings a year with important, knowledgeable people in positions of authority. In-person meetings include a light meal prior to the talk and question-answer discussion afterward. On zoom the talk is followed by questions and discussion. Committee meets the first Wednesday of the month.	Debbie Laskey CreateWomenLeadersNow@gmail.com Carla Fuentes cfuentesgvg@gmail.com
EVENT PLANNING COMMITTEE (Sub-committee of Development/ Fundraising)	Creatively solves problems, plans events, recruits sponsors, raises funds, and has fun. Celebrating Leadership Awards (CLA) is the major event. Work with interns.	
GRANT COMMITTEE (Sub-committee of Development/ Fundraising)	Members research grant opportunities. They work with staff to apply for appropriate grants.	

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COMMUNICATIONS The Voter and Monthly Highlights	Publicize League events and encourage people to get involved. Write articles, edit articles, research special events. Any one may submit an article or information about a League event. Use social media. Monthly Highlights is published every month. Voter is published every other month - Jan, March, May, July, Sept, Nov.	Penny Sommers laurice.sommers@yahoo.com Carla Fuentes cfuentesgvg@gmail.com (Social media)
COMMUNICATIONS Public Relations	Directly contact businesses and companies about partnering with the League and publicizing events.	
GLENDALE-BURBANK UNIT	Unit members select a scholarship recipient and plan community events. Members meet quarterly.	Mary Dickson mary@lwvlosangeles.org
LEGISLATIVE INTERVIEWS COMMITTEE	Committee members speak directly with State Legislatures via zoom to ask about their positions on important issues. Interviews take place during January, February, and March each year.	Garren Cabral garren.cabral@gmail.com Ann-Marie Holman amh@annmarieholman.com
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE	Committee members are often the first point of contact for new members. This committee makes welcome calls and plans recruitment events to keep members informed and engaged.	Penny Sommers laurice.sommers@yahoo.com Cynthia Romo cynromguz@gmail.com
PROGRAM PLANNING	Program consists of the body of issues members choose for study, education and action at local, state and national levels. Program can include both education and advocacy work. The goal is to propose up to 3 issues for emphasis to LWVC. These reflect LWVGLA's priorities and may be based on current League work or on new topics.	Mary Dickson mary@lwvlosangeles.org
VALLEY UNIT	The Valley Unit does not limit its membership to people who live in the valley. Everyone is welcome to join and to participate. Zoom events allow all League members to participate and learn from the speakers. The Valley Unit plans a Distinguished Speakers Series once a month.	Joyce Batten jbatten3@earthlink.net Linnea Wren linneawren1@gmail.com

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VOTER SERVICE COMMITTEE	Voter Service members become involved in • Voter education - where, how, and when to vote • Voter registration • Mis and Dis Information • Fighting voter suppression • Candidate forums Planning meetings are held virtually, usually the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Trainings are virtual.	Valerie Morishige voterservice@lwvlosangeles.org
SPEAKERS BUREAU (Sub-Committee of Voter Service)	Members present ballot propositions and measures in Pro/Con Presentations. Research information is provided at training. Most presentations are during election season.	Jake Ebright speakers@lwvlosangeles.org
	ISSUE ORIENTED COMMITTEES	
ARTICLES CLUB	The goal of the article club is to provide an opportunity to build community while learning together. The article club will allow people who don't have the time or interest to commit to a full book, to engage in discussion after reading something thought-provoking.	Hilaary Wagner hilaryawagner@gmail.com
CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM COMMITTEE	The committee makes an effort to influence policing policies that promote safety. Members study research about effective, equitable law-enforcement programs and policies. Members observe LAPD Commission meetings. Committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month on zoom.	Carolina Goodman cjreform@lwvlosangeles.org
GOVERNMENT REFORM COMMITTEE	The Committee on Government Reform is busy working on analyzing LA City ballot measures for the November election: Independent Redistricting, Ethics Reform, and LAPD Discipline System. This committee does not have regular meetings.	Chris Carson cscarson1@outlook.com Carolina Goodman govreform@lwvlosangeles.org
HOMELESSNESS ACTION COMMITTEE	Members support actions to reduce and eliminate homelessness, both sheltered and unsheltered. The new position on homelessness will guide the committee members' actions.	Dr. Gina K Thornburg gkthornburg@gmail.com
INTERNSHIP PROGRAM	Members recruit and interview potential interns. They match interns with appropriate committee assignments.	Mona Field campaign.mona@gmail.com
VALLEY UNIT BOOK CLUB	Members read and discuss books on a variety of topics. Club meets every other month on the 2nd Wednesday. Book Club is organized by the Valley Unit. All members are welcome to join.	Sue Strickland johnandsioux@socal.rr.com

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	OTHER TYPES OF COMMITTEES	
BYLAWS COMMITTEE AD HOC	Activated as needed. Committee members review, revise, and add amendments as necessary to present to the Board for approval.	Cathy Kaiser kaiser.cathy@gmail.com
ELECTION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	Organizes, manages, and conducts elections for homeowners associations and rental advisory councils for public housing developments.	Mary Dickson mary@lwvlosangeles.com
NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE	Members recruit, interview, and select people to be nominated to fill Board vacancies according to the Bylaws.	Marilu Guevara mariluguevara83@gmail.com
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Activated as necessary)	Members write necessary job descriptions, advertise the job, and screen and interview candidates.	