

## League of Women Voters of Central Delaware County 2026-2027 Local Program

The goal for the **2026-2027** Local Program is to develop [committees](#) to address and work on local program initiatives with the intent to become more active and involved in all the communities we serve. **Our work is guided by our** Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) [policy](#), positions and programs of the [LWVUS](#) and [LWVPA](#) using the [DEI Lens](#)..

**I. GOVERNMENT:** Engage members and community in all levels of government.

**A. Voting Rights and Participation through Education and Action:**

1. Protect the right to vote and security of the election process for every Delaware County citizen.
2. **Encourage everyone to participate in the electoral process:**
  - a) Conduct voter registration drives and voter information events.
  - b) Educate voters through candidate forums **and/or candidate Interviews**.
  - c) Promote and expand [Vote411.org](#)
  - d) Provide accurate information to community groups about voting and election procedures.
  - e) Work with schools to build awareness of the importance of voting and how governments work and support the **Delco Youth Voter Initiative**.
  - f) Continue voter education for in-person voting and/or mail-in voting and election security.
  - g) Monitor and advocate PA and local legislation and election regulations related to voting rights and oppose legislation regarding voter suppression.
  - h) **Continue efforts with incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals to register to vote and use mail-in ballots.**
  - i) Work with our partners that are part of the LWV CDC Voter Engagement Coalition.
  - j) Encourage our members **and students** to be poll workers.

**B. County & Municipal Government and Services:** Enable members to understand the role of local government.

1. Continue to encourage a "[Know Your Community](#)" **Unit Model** for our members **and support the Observer Corps Model**.
2. Support and promote the services of the Delaware County Health Department.
3. Monitor and advocate for improving the criminal justice system in Delaware County working with the LWV of Delaware County and Delaware County officials and advocacy groups.

**C. State and Federal Governments:** Engage members and communities in the legislative process.

1. Conduct Legislator outreach.
2. Monitor government activities and take appropriate action.
3. Inform community members of government actions.

4. Advocate for legislation that meets member and community needs related to LWV positions.
5. Support LWVPA [Where We Stand](#) and LWVUS [Impact on Issues](#) proposals and positions **and share the adopted (June 2025) [Federal Judiciary Position](#)** .
6. **Concur that protecting the rights of immigrants is vital at all levels of government.**
7. **Concur that healthcare should be considered a public good at all levels of government.**

II. **EDUCATION:** Support excellence and equity in our public school systems.

A. Support the equitable distribution of state funding for K-12 education.

B. Continue to develop Civic Education materials and presentations to be used in schools and communities.

C. Continue our leadership role with the Regional Adolescent Sleep Needs Coalition ([RASNC.com](http://RASNC.com)).

D. Continue our leadership role focusing on the impact of social media on the mental health of youth and adults.

III. **NATURAL RESOURCES:** Support management and protection of natural resources in the public interest, including planning, land use, environmental quality and safety in our communities.

A. Preservation and protection of open space for public use and monitor enforcement of land use ordinances.

B. Advocate for renewable clean energy resources.

C. Monitor legislation that impacts the environment within Delaware County.

D. Promote environmental justice in overburdened communities along the Delaware River.

E. Promote the LWV of Delco Environmental Committee and *Environmental Clearinghouse* [enviroidelco.org](http://enviroidelco.org).

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