

# League of Women Voters of Marquette County 2020-2021 Priorities

## 1. Organizational Development

Continue to clarify and expand leadership roles and committees, work on membership retention and recruitment, and develop relationships and connections with LWVMI leaders and members throughout Michigan. Add a focus on League communications (internal and external), succession planning and fundraising. Create a small ad-hoc committee to research and review the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion materials prepared by LWVUS and to share that information with members via the Educational Programs Committee. The board will consider a bylaws revision to include a clause to enable remote communication and alternative means to make decisions and conduct business during societal crises and disruption.

## 2. Voter Service Activities

Provide voter registration and voter education, offer on-line and printed voter guides, conduct candidate forums and maintain an active Observer Corps.

#### 3. Education

Hold educational programs for membership on League basics and LWV positions. Offer public education programs on voter services issues or topics of community interest relating to LWV positions. With the support of the Educational Programs Committee, the Director(s) of Communications will create a small speakers' bureau in order to educate the community about the League of Women Voters and the services provided.

### 4. LWVMI and LWVUS Positions

Review and discuss positions of interest as identified by local members, participate in advocacy identified by LWVMI or LWVUS and learn about the LWV study and program adoption processes. In order to prepare our local League to adopt a local "program" (i.e. a local government issue chosen for study or action) at the annual meeting in 2021, members will begin doing research on areas of interest, will develop ad-hoc working groups to formulate recommendations for focus and will consider the possibility of developing issue specific committees.

## 5. LWVMI and LWVUS Project and Action Priorities

Participate when possible in alerts and activities recommended by LWWMI and LWVUS. Individual members or a group of members will monitor League Links, The League Update and League websites. With the support of the Director of Advocacy and/or the Educational Programs Committee the individuals/group will report to the membership to encourage individual action and to begin developing local League action priorities.