

2025-2026 LWVMC Priorities

The National League of Women Voters is recommending that the Campaign for Making Democracy Work continue for 2025-2026 and encourages Leagues at every level to continue to work to protect and advance voting rights and election reform at this critical time for democracy, as well as fight efforts in Washington, D.C. and state legislatures to suppress voting.

The Priorities for LWVMC for 2025-2026 will serve these purposes. As a nonpartisan, grassroots, volunteer organization, we will work to protect and expand voting rights, ensure everyone is represented in our democracy, and promote an informed electorate and public. To achieve these aims, we will:

- Maintain a strong focus on our core voter services activities.
- Respond and act on LWVMI/LWVUS defending democracy action Alerts.
- Implement recommended LWVMI defending democracy projects and educational programs.

VOTER SERVICES PRIORITIES

Our core voter services projects and programs are designed to encourage informed and active participation in civic life, with an emphasis on local issues and levels of government, including but not limited to:

- Collaborate with nonpartisan groups to increase voting awareness and civic/election engagement among Marquette area youth, high school and college students and underserved populations.
- Continuing educational outreach to voters, clerks and the public.
- Conducting candidate forums.
- Publishing Marquette County online and print voter guides.

ENVIRONMENTAL PRIORITIES

The Environmental Committee's mission is to educate ourselves, the membership and the public about how individual and governmental practices impact the environment and to improve communications among those individuals, groups and entities. The LWVMC supports the LWVMI and the LWVUS efforts to promote environmental goals and advocacy by participating in the LWVMI Environmental Network and LWVUS Climate interest groups. Specific environmental 2025-2026 priorities include:

- Hosting speakers, presentations, and tours of local facilities to bring awareness and information to our members.
- Partnering with other nonpartisan groups to advance our environmental goals.
- Studying and advocating for policies and legislation that impact our Environment.

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

LWVMC will continue to "flatten" its governance to include as many members as wish to be involved in leadership. We will continue to exercise good and transparent financial practices and maintain League policies. Specifically, in 2025-2026, we will:

- Integrate the new board position of Board Administrator and the Records Management Committee into the LWVMC structure.
- Continue to reorganize Voter Services into more easily manageable components.
- Plan and participate in a Strategic Planning Retreat involving the Board, Committee Chairs, and Founders that will structure a five-year vision for LWVMC.

Approved by general membership June 4, 2025.