



LWV of Marquette County
Progress Report – Year 3
January – December 2019

January

- 52 members
- New local website established (lwvmqt.org)
- First draft of M-A-L packet sent to mentors for review (1/4)
- First meeting of Educational Programs Committee ~ structure & goals set (1/8)
- Membership education on Citizen's Climate Lobby (1/9)
- Women's March and LWV info tables at Commons and Ore Dock (1/19)
- LWVMI Program Planning Workgroup for State Program Planning (1/29)

February

- 55 members
- Membership education on LWVUS & MI positions and study process (2/6)
- Approved as the LWVMI Member-At-Large State Unit (2/9)
- 4 members attended LWVUS HR1 For the People Act Webinar (2/5)
- Action on HR1 the For the People Act – action alerts to members

March

- 57 members
- Organizing Board and Treasurer responsibilities as M-A-L State Unit
- LWV letter to the editor HR1 For the People Act (3/4)
- Membership education on Solid Waste Management and Recycling (3/7)
- Launched Vote411.org for May 7th Election (press releases and interviews)
- Sunshine Week activities (3/10-3/16) – press releases, interviews and commission announcements
- 4 members participated in LWVMI Advocacy Committee call (3/11)
- Legislative interview with Representative Sara Cambensy (3/15)
- Participated in legislative interview with Senator Ed McBroom (3/15)
- Members attend Town Hall with SOS Jocelyn Benson and Representative Cambensy on government transparency (3/27)

April

- 58 members
- Membership education on LWV's history (3/27)
- 3 Members represent LWVMI at Senator McBroom and Representative Cambensy office hours regarding position on transparency and support of HB4007-4016 (4/4)
- Launched Membership Committee (4/10)
- 3 members participated in LWVMI Advocacy Committee call (4/29)
- Bank account established!

May

- 60 members
- Membership education on LWVMI Health Care Position (5/1)
- Meeting with Representative Bergman US House District #1 (5/6)
- LWV representative joined Marquette County Complete Count Committee (5/6)
- Collaborative networking with County Clerk on new voter laws (5/13)
- Board of Directors Portfolio assignments begin (5/15)

- 3 delegates attend LWVMI State Convention in Livonia, MI (5/17-5/19)
- Unit participated as a League at the local Reproductive Rights Rally (5/21)
- 2 members attended LWVUS Policy Briefing: For the People Act (5/21)
- Voter Registration training and update for 11 League volunteers (5/22)

June

- 75 members
- Voter Registration training and update for 3 League volunteers (6/4)
- Local chair attended LWVMI Board Orientation (6/8)
- Local Suffrage Anniversary gathering 11 members attended (6/11)
- 2 members attended LWVUS Policy Update: 2019 Legislation and Litigation (6/11)
- 1st Annual Meeting and Membership Drive 35 members 32 guests (15 joined) (6/12)
- Inaugural Board Elected (6/12)
- Voter Registration training and update for 4 League volunteers (6/12)
- VRVE activity Farmer's Marquette (1 volunteer 3 events) (6/15, 22, 29)
- Vote411.org live (6/22)
- 2 members invited to attend township clerks' meeting (6/27)
- Membership Committee (3) meet & greet held- The Crib for new members (7) (6/29)

July

- 77 members
- Voter Registration training and update for 1 League volunteer (7/2)
- VRVE activities (6 events. 5 in rural communities. 10 volunteers.) (7/3-7/27)
- 4th of July Parade
- Candidate Forum – Marquette City Commission (7/17)
- 1 member attended the Technology & Communications Webinar: Vote 411 (7/9)
- 2 members attended ACLU Voter Rights Online Training (7/10)
- 2 members attended LWVUS Census 2020 Webinar (7/30)

August

- 80 members
- VRVE activities (7 events. 3 in rural communities. 8 volunteers.) (8/3-8/31)
- First membership renewal project – emails sent (8/6)
- Local chair appointed to LWVMI BOD: first meeting in person Lansing (8/10)
- 2 members participated in MDW phone training (8/26)
- VRVE Annual NMU Fall Fest (4 volunteers. 24 registrations) (8/26)

September

- 82 members
- Membership program on LWVMI state convention highlights (9/4)
- Discussion and review of LWV non-partisan policy (9/4)
- VRVE activity (1 event. 1 volunteer) (9/7)
- 2 members participated in MDW phone training (9/9)
- Agreement to participate in Making Democracy Work (MDW) grant (9/10)
- Voter Registration training and update for 4 League volunteers (total = 22) (9/11)
- VRVE Pride Fest (2 volunteers. 5 registrations)
- LWVMI BOD meeting via Zoom will occur monthly (9/14)
- National Voter Registration Day (14 team members. 5 schools. 13 presentations. 267 students. 93 registrations. 1 new team member interview.) (9/24)

October

- 82 members
- Membership “Simply Social” event (20 members/2 guests) (10/2)
- VRVE Events (2 events. 1 in rural community. 4 volunteers.) (10/5)
- AAUW Voting Matters Kyle Whitney event (5 members in attendance) (10/10)
- MQT Coming Out Allies Event Ore Dock (5 members 5 registrations) (10/11)
- Request for local League Recognition Approved by LWVMI Board! (10/12)
- First LWVMI Lame Duck Study Meeting (2 members participating) (10/22)
- MDW Town hall event Negaunee township hall (10/23)
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- LWVMI Strategic Planning – membership focus (10/28)
- VRVE NMU Spalding Residence Hall (10/29)

November

- 85 members
- First Nominating Committee forming
- LWVUS approves Marquette County’s application - independent League status (11/8)
- New member orientation (11/16)
- LWVMI Spring Workshop planning committee (11/20)
- Econ Foods bagging fundraiser for LWV (18 volunteers) (\$800+) (11/23)
- Planning begins for Centennial events

December

- 86 members (High of 87 in 1/2020. After month end renewal deadline @75)
- Membership program on LWVMI Great Lakes Ecosystem position (12/4)
- Applied and approved for independent EIN (12/2)
- Established bank account for independent local LWV of Marquette County (12/17)