

President's Message



Friends and Colleagues,

As the Detroit League budget year rounds the corner, all I can think about is the State League's Convention later this month.

LWVD will join League members from LWVMI's 33 locals to conduct League business, hear influential speakers, and attend workshops on gun safety, the National Popular Vote, censorship, and so much more. The LWVMI biennial convention provides excellent educational opportunities and a backdrop for networking.

This is a chance to meet with League members from all over the state who share the same values. I look forward to seeing everyone there!

Deborah Bunkley

President, League of Women Voters of Detroit

Photo: Wayne State University voter registration (R to L) Deborah Bunkley (me!), Joanne Spencer, Susan Slattery, Cheryl Bukoff, and the late Mary Cocanougher.

May Events



Prison Gerrymandering: How Stolen Political Power Harms Our Communities

□ May 9, 2023 @ 6 pm

The Detroit League, [Detroit Public Library](#), [Voting Access for All](#), and [Voters Not Politicians](#) present a virtual panel discussion and community conversation about the issue of prison gerrymandering and a new bill proposed to end the practice.

What's prison gerrymandering, you say? Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

Sponsored by LWVD and DPL, partnering in talks promoting voter education and tools for action.

Click the purple button to register.

Image by Angela Davenport.

[Register for this event here](#)



LWVMI Convention 2023

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The [League of Women Voters of Michigan](#) will hold its biennial convention with the theme *Grassroots Power* on May 19-21, 2023, at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center (East Lansing, MI). The Convention allows us to conduct the important business of the state League while creating and renewing friendships with League members across the state. This year's in-person Convention promises to be informative, productive, and fun. Unfortunately, there is no virtual option.

Click [HERE](#) for the *League Links* February 2023 issue with info about the Convention. Click the blue button for Convention registration.

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Convention Registration

Nominating Committee



2023-2025 LWVD Slate

We are pleased to send you the Detroit League of Women Voters slate of officers and directors for 2023-2025! Including four new directors will strengthen our leadership in the coming years.

NOTE: This ballot will be sent to the membership before the Annual Meeting when members will vote. We hope you can attend: Saturday, June 17 at 10 am (save the date).

In accordance with the bylaws of the League of Women Voters of Detroit, the Nominating Committee nominates the following members to the Board of Directors 2023-2025:

Co-Presidents: Deborah Bunkley + Sara Weertz

Preside at all meetings; identify policy or governance issues for discussion; speak for the League orally or in writing; represent the Detroit League at state and national meetings.

Voter Services Coordinator: Timothy Martin

Develop a strategy for voter registration; coordinate voter education events, including candidate forums; distribute voter education materials.

Treasurer: Kim Garland

Develop budget in coordination with leadership; maintain League funds; process dues payments.

Membership Coordinator: Esha Price

Promoter for the League; encourage leadership team/members to build the League; develop plans to recruit new members.

Director at Large: Elois Moore

Director at Large: Susan Slattery

Director at Large: LaWonna Washington

Current Board Members serving 2022--2024:

Secretary: Rhonda Craig

Record and maintain the minutes of League meetings.

Director-at-Large: Anne Parker

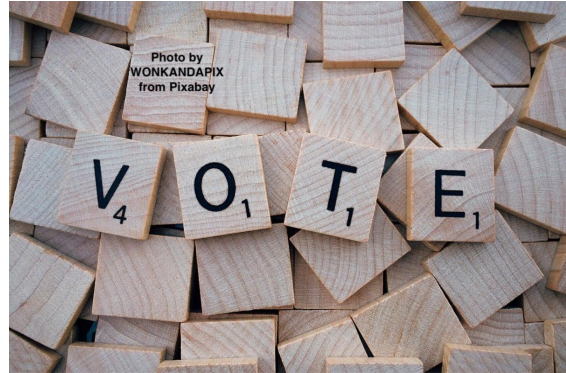
From the Nominating Committee, thank you for your commitment.

Valerie Ash, Gerry Barrons & Deborah Bunkley

Voter Services

The Detroit League has several upcoming voter services outreach opportunities:

1. Host Voter Registration Drive for seniors at [Southeastern High School](#) (Detroit) on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, from 9-11 am.
2. Host Voter Registration Drive for seniors at [Thurston High School](#) (Redford Township) on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, from 8:30 am-1:00 pm.
3. Host Voter Registration Drive at [Oak Grove A.M.E. Church](#) (Detroit) on Saturday, June 17, 2023, from 8:00-11 am.
4. Host Voter Registration Table during the Juneteenth Celebration at the [Wright Museum of African American History](#) (Detroit) on Monday, June 19, 2023, from 12:00 to 6:00 pm.



Volunteers are needed for all of these events. If you want to volunteer and participate in any of these or other future voter outreach efforts, please contact Tim Martin at lwvdetroit@gmail.com or 313-288-9590. These are great opportunities to work for electoral justice and give back to our community.

Tim Martin
Voter Services Coordinator



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Thank you in advance for your interest in supporting LWV Detroit. Click the red button for several ways to donate.

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League of Women Voters of Detroit.

New Name Same Great Content

Did you catch our new name? The *LWV Detroiter* is now *The VOTER*. This change is more closely related to the League and its mission.

For questions or comments, don't hesitate to contact the Detroit League at lwvdetroit@gmail.com.

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan, grassroots organization working to protect and expand voting rights and ensure everyone is represented in our democracy. We empower voters and defend democracy through advocacy and education. The League neither endorses nor opposes candidates or political parties. Membership is open to men and women at least 16 years of age.



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