

Founded in 1919, the League of Women Voters of the City of New York continues to promote informed and active participation in government.

The League is a non-partisan, nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization.

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The League of Women Voters of the City of New York launched our 102nd year in the midst of a city-wide election, redistricting and a pandemic. As the city responded to the ever-changing challenges of covid, so did the League. We recognized the wider reach that a virtual world provided us, but we didn't lose sight of the impact of personal connections. Whether on the streets, or on Zoom, the League provided essential election information to New Yorkers.



## League's 1,000 Members and Volunteers Take Action

- 3,000 postcards mailed to voters in low voter turnout districts
- 2,500 U.S. Constitutions handed out in Spanish and English
- 2,000 hear League speakers inform about Ranked Choice Voting, Redistricting and Ballot Proposals
- 1,400 calls answered on election and ballot questions
- 1.000 ballot info sheets distributed
- 770 attend monthly Programs featuring expert speakers on hot topics
- 500 people trained to conduct voter registration
- 75 in-person voter registration events in all five boroughs
- 15 meetings with State Legislators

## With Five Advocacy Committees, the League Fights and Wins

- Expanding hours for early voting
- Requesting absentee ballots electronically
- "Curing" absentee ballots so voters can fix a mistake and not lose their vote
- Getting same-day registration and no-excuse absentee voting on the hallot
- Allocating money for redistricting
- Restoring voting rights for people on parole with "Less is More" law
- Supporting passage of "Beyond Rosie's," "Turn on the Tap," "Elder Parole," and "Fair & Timely Parole"

## **Advocacy Committees:**

- 1. Census/Redistricting
- 2. Criminal Justice
- 3. Education
- 4. Gender Justice
- 5. Voting Reform Initiative

## **NYC Civics Education**

Civic engagement begins with civic education, and the League has literally written the book about New York City government.

"What Makes New York City Run?" was written by one of our distinguished members, and uses the New York City charter as its framework to describe the workings of the city government, the roles of its elected officials and how New York City residents can be involved in government affairs.

This year the League launched its Adult Civic Education series of videos and presentations with "Who Makes NYC Run?" to describe the city-wide positions up for election.

View videos at: <a href="https://www.lwvnyc.org">www.lwvnyc.org</a>
Tool Kits - Civic Education



On Constitution Day, League volunteers engaged with prospective voters in six historically low voter turnout districts. They distributed 2,500 U.S. Constitutions and election literature in English and Spanish, and discussed ballot proposals the League supported on voting rights.

On every front, for every issue, partnerships make us stronger. The League is proud to add more partners from colleges, libraries, community groups, good government organizations, and our business community.