

The League of Women Voters of Georgia (LWVGA), a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major policy issues and influences public policy.

Support legislation which encourages civic participation

LWVGA will support legislation and activities which protect and extend the right to vote to all citizens. More precisely, the League will:

- Oppose unnecessary and unconstitutional restrictions on voting and voter registration.
- Support efforts that balance voter confidence in elections.
- Educate Georgians about their rights and responsibilities as citizens and voters.
- Support equitable ballot structures and uniformity in election systems and protocol across the state.

Demand transparency and accountability from Georgia government

LWVGA will support legislation and processes that make decisions, activities and priorities of elected officials and other government representatives clear to the public. The League supports transparency in the state budget and actualization process as well as open meetings and open records. Additionally, the League supports:

- Campaign finance reform through caps on contributions.
- An independent redistricting commission to be implemented by the 2011 elections.
- An Independent State Election Board.

Public Financing for Judicial Elections

Judges should be insulated from the pressure of partisan and ideological politics. We advocate for judicial public financing and other meaningful changes to election rules for judges that will keep our faith in the rule of law, the most fundamental tenet of our society.

Responsible stewardship of resources and protections for Georgians

The League will advocate for long-term solutions to state challenges in the following areas:

- Support responsible spending and tax policies.
- Support local leagues' advocacy for critical citizens' issues, such as healthcare and immigration.

Responsible stewardship of Georgia's environment and sustainability

- We support implementing the fastest, most cost-effective measures to meet our water supply needs. By aggressively managing demand for water and implementing and enforcing more conservation measures, we can reduce the burden on taxpayers, avoid unnecessary capital costs and preserve our water resources.
- We advocate for securing stable funding for transit in Georgia and urge the General Assembly to remove limitations on how and where transportation funds can be spent to ensure that existing transportation dollars are used most effectively.

More information at www.lwvga.org.