



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®
OF BUFFALO/NIAGARA



Making our voices matter.



Making a greater impact.



**MAKING
DEMOCRACY WORK®**

*“Democracy is not
a spectator sport.”*

*~ credited to Lotte E. Scharfman, a WWII refugee
from Austria who became president of the League
of Women Voters of Massachusetts*

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*“To the wrongs that
need resistance,
to the right that
needs assistance,
to the future
in the distance,
give yourselves.”*

~ Carrie Chapman Catt



Membership registration / July 1 – June 30

Check one category.

- \$65 Individual Membership
- \$100 Household Membership (two people at same address)
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- \$100 Susan B. Anthony Membership
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Your dues cover membership in the local, state and national Leagues.

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Please send the LWVBN Voter bulletin by email only

Please mail a printed copy of the LWVBN Voter bulletin

Join us! Your skills have never been more important.
We have never needed you more.

About the League

In 1920, Carrie Chapman Catt was so confident that her Winning Plan for the 19th Amendment would succeed, she founded the League of Women Voters six months before ratification. Her purpose was to “finish the fight,” urging women to exercise their hard-won right to vote. Today, the League is America’s premier grass roots organization, bringing the power of women’s voices to virtually every vital issue.



Our mission

A nonpartisan political organization that welcomes both women and men, the League encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Voters’ most trusted resource

The League is the nation’s most comprehensive and reliable source of nonpartisan information on elections at every level of government. Through our local and national VOTE411.org website, printed Voters Guides, candidates forums and more, we enable citizens to cast informed votes.

National influence

The League has shaped countless debates, past and present, including clean air and water, safe food and drugs, Social Security, tax reform, arms control, energy, national security, and a great many more.

Our local League participates in state and national studies to develop consensus positions on critical issues – money in politics is just one example.

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.” ~Margaret Mead

Other priorities include voting rights, the environment, immigration, health care, gun safety and fiscal policy.

Here at home

League committees concentrate on issues with significant community impact.

Social and Economic Justice focuses on living wage as well as federal policies that affect income inequality and inhibit economic mobility.

Waterfront works to ensure public access and participation in planning and decisions regarding Buffalo’s Outer Harbor.

Local Government monitors budgets, transparency, IDA policies, smart growth and land use planning.

Education examines changes in state and federal education laws; also addresses concerns such as universal pre-K, early childhood education and core standards, and how *Buffalo Promise* and *Read to Succeed* aim to positively affect these concerns.

Money in Politics works on local, state and national levels to engage the public and advocate for positive change in the financing of elections.



“I could not at any age be content to take my place in a corner by the fireside and simply look on.”

~ Eleanor Roosevelt

Election services

In addition to registering voters, distributing information and stimulating turnout, LWVBN provides valuable assistance to a variety of constituents:

- Welcoming new citizens and making presentations at U.S. naturalization ceremonies.
- Supervising Buffalo Municipal Housing Authority elections and witnessing charter school lotteries.
- Moderating and timekeeping for candidate debates, issues forums and community meetings.
- Election night reporting.
- Distributing voter registration and absentee ballot applications.

Here’s why we need you

Your talents, energy and expertise will give our League the political clout we need to be a voice for citizens and a force for change. We urgently need your skills for legislative action, advocating with elected officials, committee work, planning League events, and more.

And in return ...

You will enjoy opportunities to learn about critical issues, develop creative solutions, strengthen your community, form rewarding relationships, sharpen your skills and – most important – make a meaningful difference.

Join today, and help us make democracy work.