



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF GREATER CLEVELAND

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LWVGC MEMBER NEWS

Don't let up - Fair Districts needs your help!

Senator Huffman's redistricting "reform" will be the subject of two hearings in Columbus this week: **Tuesday, January 23 at 2:30 p.m.**, and **Wednesday, January 24 at 9:45 a.m.** The more members we have in attendance, the better. If you plan to testify, please send an electronic copy of your testimony and a completed [witness slip](#) to Drew.Hawking@ohiosenate.gov **no later than 24 hours** before committee.

Please call the following members of the Government Oversight and Reform Committee. Tell them that this plan does not meet our standards for real reform as the graphic below illustrates.

Chairman Bill Coley - (614) 466-8072
Senator Joe Uecker - (614) 466-8082
Senator Kevin Bacon - (614) 466-8064
Senator Bob Peterson - (614) 466-8156
Senator Troy Balderson - (614) 466-8076
Senator Kris Jordan - (614) 466-8086
Senator Frank LaRose - (614) 466-4823
Senator Matt Huffman - (614) 466-7584



CHOOSE REAL REFORM!

Voters should choose their representatives.
Politicians should not choose their voters!

	Fair Districts Ballot Initiative	Huffman Proposal
Prevent politicians from choosing their voters	✓ YES	✗ NO
Bipartisan Commission draws the lines	✓ YES	✗ NO
Minimize split counties and communities	✓ YES	✗ NO
Process open to public	✓ YES	✗ NO
Easy to understand	✓ YES	✗ NO

More information on the Fair Districts Initiative can be
found at the League of Women Voters website:
lwggreatercleveland.org

Participate in the LWVGC Fundraiser

Mark your calendar for **Friday, March 16!**

For over 30 years, the LWV has been managing the elections for the Cleveland Teacher's Union. This is the major fundraiser for LWVGC as the CTU pays us for our services.

Ballot counting will take place, again, downtown at the **North Shore AFL-CIO Labor Building, 3250 Euclid Ave.** *Parking is safe and free. Dinner will be provided.*

We will start around **4 pm** and go until we are done, hopefully around 9 pm. The more people we have counting, the faster we get done! Come for any period of time that is convenient to you; you do not need to commit to the whole time.

Voting Registration for May Primary

It's not too early to remind your relatives and friends that the registration for the **May 8** primary election is **Monday, April 9**. Mail-in registrations should be post-marked by this date.

Go to VOTE411 for personalized voter information and early voter details.

Renew Your League Membership

League membership is over 400 members, but it's easy to forget to renew. Go to the [League website](#) or contact your Chapter Chair.

LWVGC Annual Meeting Around the Corner

Be sure to reserve **Saturday, May 19** for the **LWVGC Annual Meeting** and hear Cuyahoga Council Member, **Sunny Simon**. It will take place at beautiful **CanalWay Center in the Cleveland Metroparks**. Time and additional information will be coming soon.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The League's mission is more important than ever. To see how you can help, see the [LWVGC website](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Eastside Program Meetings Next Weekend Have a voice in national League policy!

The results of these meetings will culminate in the adoption of policy on education and action at the LWV National

Convention in Chicago, IL, June 28-July 1 as well as at LWVGC Annual Meeting on May 19.

Saturday, January 27, 1-3:30 p.m.
Cleveland Heights/University Heights Library
2345 Lee Road
Cleveland Heights, 44118

Sunday, January 28, 1-3:30 p.m..
Home of Susan Troia
3710 Shaker Boulevard, #906
Cleveland, 44120

Any member can attend any meeting.

Upcoming Policy Forums

Wednesday February 21, 2018 7-8:30pm
Opportunity Corridor - will the opportunity be realized?

Moderated by **Steven Litt** *Plain Dealer*, Art, Architecture, Urban Design and City Planning Reporter

The Opportunity Corridor provides a connection between west and east sides; through neighborhoods that would benefit from economic renewal. It has been condemned, extolled, and now is becoming a reality. But what will it do in reality?

Cost: Free & Open to the Public

Tinkham Veale University Center, CWRU Campus
11038 Bellflower Road, Cleveland OH 44106

Thursday March 8, 2018 6:30-8pm
Consumer Scams. How to spot, avoid & respond

Moderated by **Teresa Dixon-Murray**, *Plain Dealer*
Cost: Free & Open to the Public

Lakewood Public Library Main Branch
15425 Detroit Ave. Lakewood OH 44107

Tuesday March 20, 2018 7-8:30pm
**Redistricting and Gerrymandering in America and Ohio:
the effort to reform how districts are drawn**

Moderated by **Rich Exner**, Cleveland.com reporter
with **David Daley**, political writer, **Catherine Turcer**, Common
Cause/Ohio, more

This forum will look at the redistricting issue from a national and
local perspective with experts in each area on the panel.

Cost: Free & Open to the Public

CWRU Siegal Lifelong Learning Facility

25700 Science Park Dr #100 Beachwood OH 44122

Wednesday April 25, 2018 6:30-8pm

**Single Payer Healthcare-How does it Work? Could it work in
the U.S.?**

Moderated by **Ginger Christ**, Plain Dealer Healthcare Reporter
Some think that single payer healthcare is the answer to our
healthcare problems and others think it will bankrupt the country
and won't work. This forum will explore both sides with a particular
emphasis on how it might impact Northeast Ohio.

Cost: Free & Open to the Public

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Wednesday May 16, 2018 7-8:30pm

**"Women in Politics: How to get more women to run for office
in Ohio"**

moderated by **Mary Kilpatrick**, reporter, Cleveland.com

Cost: Free & Open to the Public

Heights Library Main Branch


2345 Lee Road 44118

Cost: Free & Open to the Public

Go to the LWVGC website or contact Mike Baron for more
information.

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