



Activities and Accomplishments of the League of Women Voters of Greater Birmingham in 2012-13

During the past year, the League of Women Voters of Greater Birmingham participated in many civic activities and projects in pursuit of the League's mission. That mission is to encourage informed and active participation in government, work to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influence public policy through education and advocacy. The League is strictly nonpartisan. The League does not support or oppose any candidate or political party.

The LWVGB needs your support and membership to continue this work! League membership is open to anyone age 18 or older, men and women. Won't you join us? Please visit our website at www.lwvgb.org or call LWVGB at 205 583-5000 to learn more about the League and the benefits of membership.

In 2012-2013, the League of Women Voters of Greater Birmingham...

- Supported and kept public informed about efforts to improve public transit. (Ongoing)
- Supported and kept public informed about efforts to reform Alabama's outdated, racist and inequitable 1901 constitution. (Ongoing)
- Supported conservation and efficient use of energy in Alabama and supported efforts to promote this. (Ongoing)
- Assisted LWVAL in publicizing Vote411.org, appellate court and amendments voter guide in the Gr. B'ham area. (2/7/12 – 11/6/12)
- Participated in consensus taking to establish the League position on Charter Schools. (2/21/12)
- Presented a Judicial Candidates Forum to inform the public about their candidates. (3/13/12)
- Encouraged members to work with Alabama Disabilities Advocacy Program to check local polling places for compliance with accessibility requirements. (Primary Elections 3/13/12 and General Election. (11/7/12)
- Shed light on openness, accessibility of government in the Gr. B'ham area. (Published 4/2012 – ongoing)
- Provided help and direction to disenfranchised voters on how to get ex-felon voting rights restored. (Ongoing, major update 6/16/12)
- Helped Homewood Residents get to know their candidates through a council forum. (8/7/12)
- Co-sponsored Hoover city council candidate forum. (8/21/12)
- Helped Brown Mackie College celebrate Constitution Day with an extended Voter Registration Drive. (9/18 & 19/12)
- Hosted public update on the Alabama Constitution Revision Commission. (9/20/12)
- Provided election posters and display stands to each public library in the Jefferson County Library Cooperative. (~9/24/12)
- Provided voter registration assistance to the residents of the Union Trade Towers retirement home. (10/13/12)

- > Expanded social networking to better connect with members and the public. (2012 and ongoing)
- > Co-sponsored United Nations Day Celebration. (10/11/12)
- > Co-hosted forum "Critical Thinking: Election Issues for Alabama Voters." (10/28/12)
- > Distributed Electoral College educational posters to public and private high schools in Jefferson and North Shelby Counties. (11/2012)
- > Hosted public meeting on the status of Greater B'ham public transit and future plans presented by Ann Dawson-August, Exec. Dir. Of Birmingham-Jefferson Public Transit Authority (1/29/13)
- > Hosted public meeting on "An overview of School Systems in the Greater Birmingham Area" presented by Joe T. Adams, PhD, Research Coordinator, Public Affairs Research Council of AL (2/28/13)
- > Hosted public meeting on "The 2014 Project Alabama," a non-partisan effort to encourage, identify and train more women to seek elected offices (4/9/13)

If you would like additional information about the League's involvement in any of these activities, please contact us at 205 583-5000 or write to us at admin@lwvgb.org.

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