



**The League of Women Voters**  
*Empowering Voters and Defending Democracy*  
*for Over 100 Years*

**Marin Coalition**  
**The Key Role of Marin's Civic Organizations**  
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**The League of Women Voters** is a nonpartisan, grassroots nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering everyone to fully participate in our democracy.



# The League of Women Voters Board of Directors, 2/12/1920



# The League of Women Voters

## Basic Principles and Mission Statement

**Mission:** Empowering voters. Defending democracy.

**Vision:** We envision a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge and the confidence to participate.

**Value:** We believe in the **power of women** to create a more perfect democracy.

**Commitment:** We are fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in principle and in practice.

# *Speaking with One Voice*

## **LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS (LWVUS)**

- Supports over 700 state and local leagues in 50 states.

## **LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF CALIFORNIA (LWVC)**

- Provides leadership for the 61 state local leagues.

## **LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE BAY AREA (LWVBA)**

- Encompasses 20 local Leagues in the 9 Bay Area counties.

## **LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS of MARIN COUNTY (LWVMC)**

# Program Priorities (LWVUS & LWVC)

- **Making Democracy Work**
  - Voting Rights/Expanding the Electorate
  - Redistricting
  - Money in Politics
- **Climate Change**
- **Housing and Homelessness**
- **Criminal Justice Reform**
- **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) focus in all practices**



# Advocating for Voting Rights!



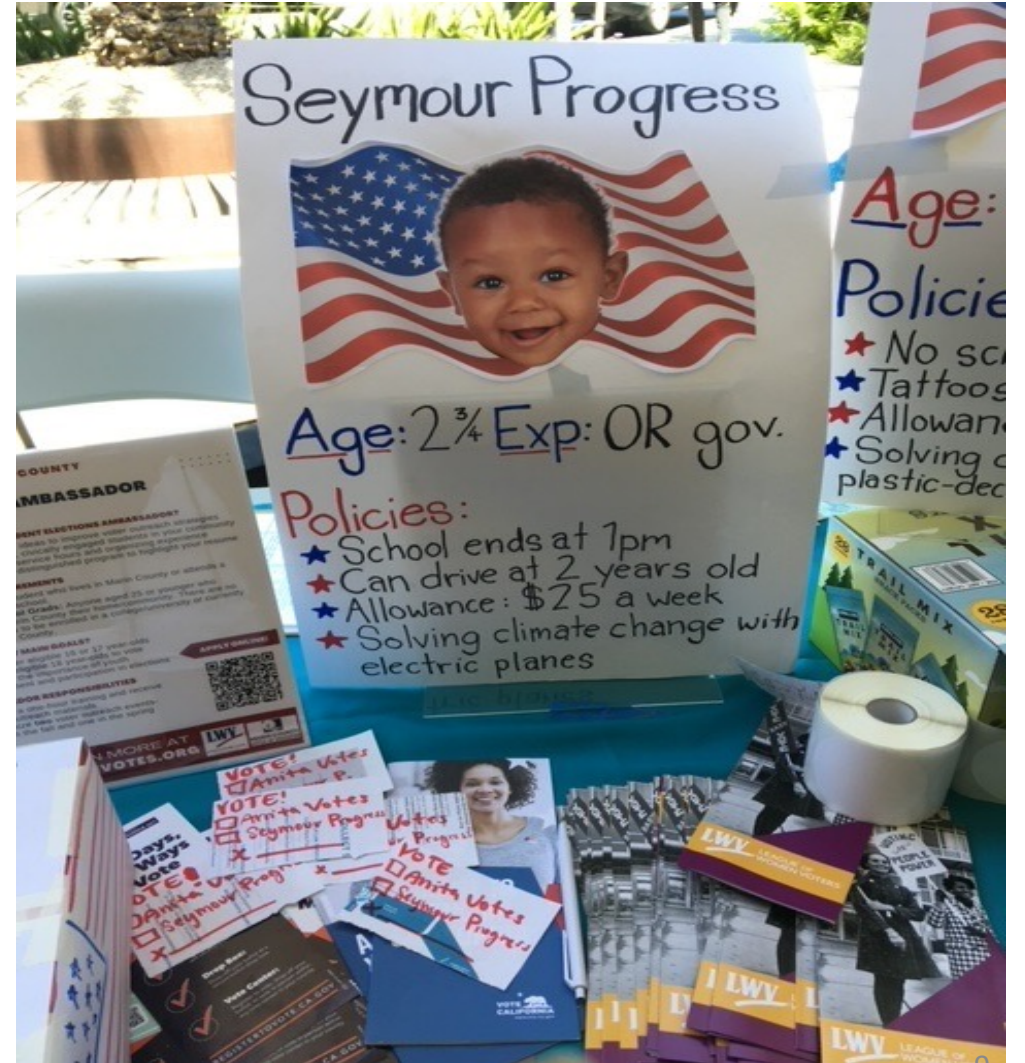


# Voter Registration and Education





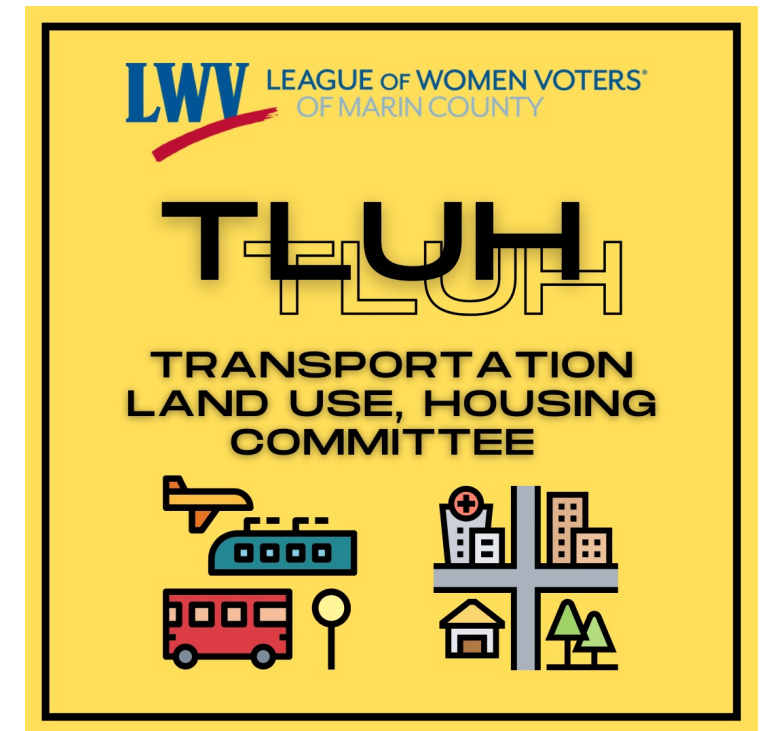
# May the Best Baby Win!!!



# Advocating for Affordable Housing!

## LWVC Position on Housing and Homelessness

- Support of equal opportunity in housing.
- Support of measures to provide state programs to increase the supply of safe, decent, and adequate housing for all Californians.
- Support for action at all levels of government for the provision of affordable housing for all Californians.





**Thank you!**

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