

#### LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MARIN COUNTY

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November Monthly Meeting Monday, November 14 11:30am-1:00pm on ZOOM



Join us to hear an update from 10,000
Degrees about their work throughout the county to help students from low-income communities get to and through college. Serving Marin students for over 40 years, we have a lot to share about what works, trends and policies that make a difference for local students.



Speaker: Traci Lanier, Vice-President, 10,000 Degrees

As Vice President at 10,000 Degrees, Traci is responsible for overseeing scholarships, data and evaluation, policy, and advocacy, as well as cultivating partnerships locally and nationwide that support the college success field and provide opportunities for students from low-income communities.

#### **REGISTER HERE**

December Monthly Meeting Monday, December 5 11:30am-1:00pm on ZOOM

Involuntary Mental Health
Treatment In Marin: CARE Courts
and Jail Medication

The December Monday Member Meeting is being hosted jointly by the Health and Justice Committees.

We have invited panelists to discuss how Marin is planning to implement

- the new CARE Court legislation signed by Gov. Newsom in September and
- involuntary administration of psychiatric medication in the County jail.

Major state and local funds will be needed, as will careful planning and ongoing oversight to protect individual rights, safety and equity. It certainly is a controversial topic. See the Marin IJ article from last March linked here.

Watch for full information and a registration link in an email coming soon.

**REGISTER HERE** 





Dear League Members,

Today, Leagues from 50 states and DC stood together to file <u>an amicus brief</u> in a Supreme Court case that could define our democracy for years to come.

The case, *Moore v. Harper*, focuses on the "independent state legislature theory" (ISLT), which, if adopted, would give state legislatures nearly unrestricted authority to set the rules for federal elections.

Checks and balances are an essential part of our democracy, keeping power in the hands of the people rather than politicians.

We implore the court to reject the ISLT and rule in favor of voters. Learn more from our <u>press release</u>, and if you choose, <u>support our work</u> defending democracy.

In League,

Virginia Kase Solomón

CEO

The League of Women Voters of the US





<u>Click here</u> for voting recommendations for local and state measures.

The League of Women Voters
of Marin County is active in
both
Voter Service
(promoting voter registration,
education & participation)
AND
study/advocacy regarding
relevant issues of interest —
Justice, Health, Education &
Libraries, and
Transportation/Land
Use/Housing.

DID YOU MISS SOMETHING?! IT'S NOT TOO LATE. WATCH NOW.



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# **VOTER EDUCATION** & OUTREACH

Good thing we ate our Wheaties and were prepared for a busy midterm election year because it has met our expectations and more!!

We have strengthened our voter education AND outreach work over the past few months, utilizing energy from new and experienced members and new and stronger community relationships.

November 8 is the LAST day to vote, so if you haven't returned your ballot yet, then do so as soon as possible. We recommend returning your vote-by-mail ballot to a secure dropbox or voting location instead of U.S. Mail to ensure that it is received on time. Missing or unclear postmarks can mean that your ballot is not counted. Including the date on the return envelope is very helpful. In-person voting options have changed. We now have regional vote centers and voters can go to ANY vote center. More information at MarinVotes.org

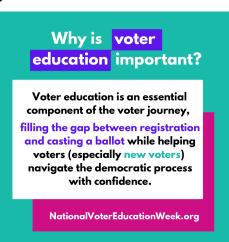
Our website is brimming with voting and election information and resources. Check it out and share the link with your friends!

Track Your Ballot at WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov On our website you will find Candidate Forum and Pros and Cons recordings, important dates, secure ballot drop box and vote center locations, Vote With The League ballot measure endorsements for state and local

More Days, More Ways to Vote!



- Gathering accurate election information and posting it on Marinlwv.org and sharing it on social media – @LWVMarin on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (please follow us and share our posts)
- Creating a Local Voter Guide <a href="https://www.marinlwv.org/voter-">https://www.marinlwv.org/voter-</a> guide1182022
- Creating a Voter Education and Outreach (VEO) Event Kit custom table cover and tent canopy, lightweight folding table/chairs, display holders for printed materials and plans for more, so we can more easily get out into the community





propositions and more!

Promoting VotersEdge.org (LWVC online voter guide) with various nonprofits, the public, our members





- ◆ Officially celebrating four Civic Holidays <u>National-VoterRegistrationDay</u>, <u>National Voter Education Week</u>, <u>Vote Early Day</u> and <u>Election Hero Day</u>
- ◆ Strengthening our relationship with the Marin County Free Library as well as the various independent libraries in Marin County and the CA State Library.
- ◆ Collaborating on various projects with the Elections Department, including tabling at the Civic Center for National Voter Registration Day, September 20
- ◆ Building and strengthening relationships with MANY community organizations throughout the county and beyond to distribute electronic and printed materials and to hold tabling events

Canal Alliance, Community Action Marin, Performing Stars, Vivalon, College of Marin (ASCOM), Marin Communications Forum/First 5 Marin, Delta Sigma Theta Society (SF Alumni Chapter), First Missionary Baptist Church in Marin City, Kentfield School District (Family Resource Night), Oakmont of Novato (Vote Early Day event- assisted living residence), CA Native Vote, San Anselmo Library, Multicultural Center of Marin (Dia de los Muertos event)

◆ Get Out the Vote — yard and window signs, encouraging League members and the public to share voting information and resources, website and social media posts including a collaboration with the LWV of Kansas City, serving as a VCA Ambassador for the California Secretary of State and exploring opportunities for sharing visible GOTV messages

Voting powers Democracy. We need to help our family and friends navigate the election and make their voice heard by voting.

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We are always looking for more League members to be involved in the Voter Education and Outreach Team.

The stronger our work force, the more work we can do!

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## **MARINLWV.ORG**

Right now, <u>our website</u> includes a lot of public information regarding the election. Please use it for yourself and share it with others to help them navigate voting in the November 8 General Election. Election results will be added soon, so keep checking back!

Our website also contains information about our own League events and works to keep members informed! Be sure to check our <u>EVENTS</u>, <u>CALENDAR</u>, <u>Committees and Teams</u> and our NEWSROOM where we are posting <u>News Releases</u> and links to the <u>regional LWV Monitor</u> and our own <u>VOTER</u> newsletter! No need to sort through your email to find the link to the current or a past issue of The Voter. Just go to <u>HERE</u>!

We are always open to feedback. Don't hesitate to share your ideas to improve our website!

Robin Diederich and Scott McKown

### A Little More information about Our November Speaker

**Traci Lanier** serves on the board of the National Scholarship Providers Association, she is a founding steering committee member of the Northern California College Promise Coalition, and is active in many national, statewide, and local equity-focused partnerships. She previously served on the Advisory Council for COMPASS, (College of Marin Dual Enrollment Partnership), as co-chair of the Marin Promise College Enrollment Action Team, and as special advisor on projects for The College Board. Traci holds a master's degree in international studies from the University of Denver, and a bachelor's degree in international relations from San Francisco State University.