



***Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy.***

**Who We Are. What We Do.**

The League of Women Voters of Santa Barbara plays a significant role in South Coast communities by registering voters, informing voters about issues, holding candidate forums, and explaining ballot measures.

We do not endorse candidates or political parties, but we do take positions on issues through study and consensus. We encourage informed and active participation in government and influence public opinion through education and advocacy.

League membership offers the opportunity to improve your community, develop leadership skills, learn more about government, meet new friends, build a resume, and expand your network.

**Want to Get Involved? Here's how:**

**Voter Service:** Provides voter education, promotes voter registration, hosts candidate forums and *Pros and Cons* forums on ballot measures.

**Observer Corps:** Attends meetings of local government agencies and alerts us to possible actions needed to support League positions.

**Environmental Action:** Educates, advocates, and acts on environmental and climate issues to promote the health of natural resources, environmental justice, and the well being of our communities.

**Housing:** Promotes efforts to increase local affordable housing, and studies issues such as funding, rent control, tenants' rights, and rezoning.

**Membership:** Encourages people to join to expand our local League to better represent the diverse South Coast communities.

**Social Policy:** Follows local policies and services, acting as needed on issues such as behavioral health, poverty, reproductive rights, and women's equality.

**Criminal Justice Reform:** Works to eliminate injustices in our county jails and in law enforcement practices.

**Community Forums:** Plans and presents public meetings on topics of current interest.

**Book Club:** Reads and discusses books on issues of current interest each month.

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