

LWVCNM Volunteer Opportunities

Because democracy is not a spectator sport

We need your skills, your enthusiasm, and your commitment to help LWVCNM continue to move forward with our mission. From tasks to grass roots advocacy, ongoing or project-by-project, we can fit your interests to a volunteer job.

How to Find Out More About Volunteering

It's easy: Contact us at 505-884-8441 or lwvcnmoffice@gmail.com. Leave a message with your name and contact information, and express your interest in finding out more about volunteering. We will contact you to explain tasks involved, review time commitments for various positions, match your interests and skills with a volunteer position, and offer training where needed.

Current Volunteer Opportunities

Voter Guide Production – work with an existing team to:

- Collect information on ballot questions, bonds, and mill levies
- Write or edit race and ballot question descriptions
- Write or edit candidate questions
- Coordinate a group for making calls to candidates
- Make calls to candidates
- Write or edit emails to candidates
- Proof read the Voter Guide
- Coordinate a plan for Voter Guide distribution
- Call or email businesses and organizations for potential Voter Guide distribution
- Add and update information on Vote411.org
- Create documents and information for LWVCNM website or social media
- Distribute paper Voter Guides and/or Voter Guide pdf documents

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Voter Outreach - work with an existing team to:

- Participate in candidate forums as a moderator, time keeper, or question sorter
- Participate in voter outreach events for registering voters, providing voter information
- Respond to community requests for voter activities

Civic Education – work with an existing team to:

- Participate in classroom or meeting outreach
- Help groups establish voter outreach events
- Connect with local groups involved in civic education

Membership – work with an existing team to:

- Contact new members to find out interests
- Remind members about renewals
- Host new members reception
- Meet with groups of new members
- Assist members who renew by check

Office Support – work with an existing team to:

- Listen to voice messages and return them or refer them to the appropriate person (this can be done remotely)
- Process mail (at the office)
- Create and send a member donation solicitation letter with the help of the Development team
- Create donation thank you letters
- Mail the Voter newsletter to a small group of people
- Help prepare mass mailings (several per year)

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Development – work with an existing team to:

- Contact local individuals and businesses for donations
- Help write grant proposals
- Research additional sources of financial information
- Write letter to membership for fundraising

Observer Corps – work with an existing team to:

- Attend (remotely or in person) local government meetings
- Help to assure transparency in local government by reporting back to LWVCNM
- Write reports of important information to be shared with membership through the Voter newsletter and the LWVCNM website
- Determine when the League should advocate before a public body and put together a message using League positions
- Speak to local governments about League positions

Advocacy – work with an existing team to:

- Monitor and report on housing
- Inform members of Action Alerts

Publications – work with members to:

- Assist with the monthly Voter newsletter
- Help to edit the Who's Who brochure that lists local government officials
- Identify and prepare content for the website and social media

Public Relations and Communications – work with members to:

- Write articles that LWVCNM can publish in the media
- Feed information to our members maintaining our social media and website
- Promote the Voter Guide
- Work with the LWVNM communications person and review LWVUS statements to coordinate messages
- Serve as contact for all media

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Issues

Environment

- Monitor and report on local water, air, and environmental agencies
- Connect with local groups involved in the environment

Immigration

Housing

Electoral College Abolition

LWVNM Action Committee (Legislative monitoring and lobbying)

Support Functions

Monthly meeting support (help set up or restore the building conference room)

Technology support

- Provide technical support for the building conference room
- Update email lists with member email addresses
- Maintain the LWVCNM Google drive
- Maintain and update the website
- Maintain and update social media accounts
- Email the monthly Voter newsletter
- Create and start Zoom meetings

Special Projects / Special Events

At-large volunteer