



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF DENVER

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Dear Loyal Members and Friends,

Our activities this year were visible throughout the Denver area. Some highlights include:

- The Program Committee presented informative briefings on timely topics: Reproductive Health and Abortion Access legislation (directly from the Colorado House floor); the Denver's Strong Basic Income Project and government programs to address homelessness in Colorado; Denver's Strong Mayor responsibilities; the job of the Denver City Auditor and Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) as a solution to multiple candidate ballots. Our letter-to-the-editor about RCV was published in the *Denver Post*.
- Major Voter Service briefings were held online to discuss the Denver ballot issue as well as the two Colorado ballot issues. All briefings are open to the public, and the recordings are available on our website: www.lwvdenver.org.
- LWV Denver trained and certified volunteers to register voters. These people participated in voter registration events around the city, including the Denver Women's Prison and the Denver City Jail where inmates and staff were assisted in their own voter registration.
- LWV Denver purchased 2,000 copies of the LWV Colorado ballot issues in English and 750 in Spanish and distributed them to every Denver Public Library as well as to many civic organizations throughout the city.
- LWV Denver published over 2,000 Denver pro/con ballot issues pamphlets in English and 750 in Spanish and delivered them to all of the Denver Public Libraries as well as some Latina organizations.
- LWV Denver provided office assistance and ballot information to *Denver Decides*. It also provided information and our board member, Pearlanne Zelarney, moderated four candidate debates broadcast on Channel 8 TV.
- Our Voter Service team, now headed by Lisa Haddox with mentoring from Anne Duncan and Jeanette Scotland, provided ballot issue information to the very popular Vote 411 website supported by the LWV of the United States.
- In order to increase member outreach, LWV Denver publishes a *Weekly Update* every Thursday to supplement the monthly *Voter*. Contact Pearlanne Zelarney (info@lwvdenver.org) if you wish to be added to the subscription list. Both publications are also available on our website: www.lwvdenver.org.
- We have started to meet in person for our informative briefings, and the office now is available to visit four mornings a week (Monday through Thursday 9:00 to 1:00).

To help us continue our vital work in the community, please consider sending the League of Women Voters of Denver a tax-deductible contribution. Our mailing address is: 1980 Dahlia Street, Denver, Colorado 80220, and our website address is www.lwvdenver.org. We really appreciate support from both members and friends in these challenging times.

Sincerely,

League of Women Voters of Denver Board of Directors

Frank Bennett, Cassandra Bishop, Lisa Haddox, Bobbie Heisterkamp, Chris Humphries, Andrea Mitchell, Holley Murphy, Marty Sloven, Susan Stark and Pearlanne Zelarney.

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