



The League of Women Voters of the City of New York is a nonpartisan organization whose purpose is to promote informed and active citizen participation in government. The League neither supports nor opposes candidates or political parties. The League is supported by public-spirited individuals, businesses and organizations.

The League maintains a website ([www.lwvnyc.org](http://www.lwvnyc.org)), a **Telephone Information Service**, and publishes many citizen and voter information guides. These include **They Represent You**, a directory of the city, state and federal legislators who represent New York City residents.

Founded on June 2, 1919 as an outgrowth of the Women's Suffrage movement, the League of Women Voters has assisted citizens in exercising their political rights. The League believes that democracy depends on the informed and active participation of citizens in government and is committed to empowering people with information needed to participate fully in our democracy.

The League holds public forums on topics such as *Voting Rights*, *Health Care Reform*, *Education Reform* and *The Environment*. The League has developed and regularly runs its seminar **How to Run for Public Office in New York City**. The League also runs *Voter Registration Drives*, trains school and community groups in running their own nonpartisan voter registration programs, and sponsors and co-sponsors debates for local and city elections.