



**League of Women Voters Riverside  
Voter Education and Action  
2010 - 2011**

Voter Education

- Distributed 1,500 Easy Voter Guides for the November 2010 General Election.
- Held candidate forums for Riverside County Community College Board of Trustees and Western Riverside Municipal Water Districts 1,2, and 3. A forum was set for AD 64 candidates. Assembly Member Nestande had to cancel the day before the event and chose not to reschedule.
- Held 'Pro and Con' discussions with community groups concerning the 14 ballot measures on the November 2010 ballot.
- Have had over 5,000 visits to our website's video forum page.
- Partnered with the Raincross Group for taping of Candidate Forums for the June 7th City Council contests in Wards 1, 3, and 7. Forums can be seen at [www.pe.com](http://www.pe.com) or there is a link at our website [www.RiversideLeague.com](http://www.RiversideLeague.com)
- Held a county-wide public information workshop on California's new Citizen's Redistricting Commission - its process, criteria and the need for citizen participation.
- Letter was sent to the Press Enterprise Opinion Page, complimenting their editorial on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission and urging citizen participation.

Unit Meetings/Public Policy Discussion

- Prepared extensive background materials and discussion questions for three Unit meetings
  - ~ Pro and Cons of the November Ballot Measures
  - ~ After Citizen's United - The Impact of the Supreme Court Ruling on Money and Political Campaigns
  - ~ Civility and Politics

## Action

- June, 2010 Letter sent to Riverside Superior Court in favor of counting the 12,563 neglected votes in the June 8th Primary. League members were also urged to contact their County Supervisors and LWV Riverside sent a letter to each Supervisor urging action on the issue.
- September, 2010 Testimony before the Riverside City Council in support of an independent panel to review ethics complaints.
- October, 2010 Letter to Press Enterprise Editorial Page questioning the legality of the City's use of \$23,000 in public funds for a mailer in support the passage of Measure V (increase in the transient occupancy tax).
- February, 2011 Prepared and distributed League suggestions to address the California Budget Crisis at a Community Forum hosted by Riverside's Fair Housing Council, The Group and The Latino Network.
- March, 2011 Letter to Riverside's City Clerk in support of The Group's criticism of the lack of diversity on the new Charter Review Commission.
- March, 2011 Offered testimony to the Government Affairs Committee recommending the City's Human Relations Commission be officially tasked with recruiting members for all City's Boards and Commissions.
- May, 2011 Remarks were submitted to the Citizen's Redistricting Commission, urging the Commission to respect our regions geographic integrity and communities of interest.

## A League in Good Standing

- Our Board meets regularly the third Monday of the month and we maintain enough money to send officers to state meetings as well as function effectively.
- We maintain an updated website and regularly forward Action Alerts and events of interest to our membership.
- Any event sponsored by our League is publicized to the fullest extent.
- We welcome the opportunity to promote the League at community events and work in coalition with other groups to effect change.
- Most important - we can show the effect of our work in public policy decisions which is the fundamental mission of League.