



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF CALIFORNIA

What: The 65th State Convention of the League of Women Voters of California

When: 10 am, Friday, May 15, through 3 pm, Sunday, May 17, 2015, with special pre-Convention events on Thursday, May 14, 2015.

Where: [The Westin San Diego Gaslamp Quarter](#)

910 Broadway Circle
San Diego, CA 92101
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Who: Attendance at Convention is open to everyone; we encourage all members to attend and are eager for the public to come learn about the League. We ask that you extend invitations to your friends and contacts.

Let the Sun Shine In!

The purpose of Convention is to inspire and empower Californians to increase their active and informed participation in civic life. Come meet passionate people from across the state who are making democracy work!

Our theme is **Let the Sun Shine In!** Read more about speakers, workshops, special activities, and more on our blog: <http://lwvc.wordpress.com>

A range of activities is available to suit any schedule or budget, from investing in a full three-day registration to treating yourself to a special pre-Convention workshop. Check out your options now, because early bird registration starts **February 1**.

The Westin San Diego Gaslamp Quarter is offering a special room rate of \$199 per night—but you must book by **April 24** to secure this rate. [Visit the Convention blog to book online](#), or you can call the hotel and mention the LWVC Convention. Don't get caught without a room by waiting until the last minute; rooms may sell out before that date!

Business of Convention

This is the first call to Convention 2015 as required by the LWVC bylaws, Article X, Section 7. The LWVC Bylaws govern the composition and business of the convention. Our bylaws direct us (See Article X, Sec. 5) to:

- **Elect** officers, directors, and three members of the nominating committee for the 2015-2017 biennium (Article XII)
- Adopt a **budget** for the 2015-2016 fiscal year (Article IX, Sec. 2)

- Adopt **program** for 2015-2017 (Article XIII)
- Adopt amendments to the **bylaws** as needed (Article XVII)

VOTING DELEGATES

Attending as a voting delegate is an exciting honor and a responsibility. If you are interested in attending as a voting delegate, speak with your local League or Inter-League Organization (ILO) board immediately.

Voting delegates to the convention are detailed in Article X, Sections 2 and 4:

- Each local League and ILO is entitled to send its **president, or an alternate** in the event the president is unable to attend. The president of a member-at-large unit may attend as a nonvoting member.
- In addition, each local League is entitled to **delegates in proportion to its membership numbers** as reported in the LWVUS database on January 31, 2015. Member-at-large unit members may attend as nonvoting members.

NOTE: only local Leagues that have paid their per member payment (PMP), or received an exemption because of proven hardship, are entitled to voting representation at the convention

HOW MANY DELEGATES?

Article X, Section 4. Representation. The local Leagues shall be entitled to delegates in proportion to their membership as of the record date of the year of the biennial convention in accordance with Article X, Section 8. Each local League shall be entitled to at least one delegate in addition to the local League president as provided in Article X, Section 2(b). When local League membership reaches 51 voting members, the local League shall be entitled to one additional delegate. Thereafter, one additional delegate shall be authorized for each additional 50 members.

- 50 or fewer Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 1 delegate member
- 51-100 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 2 delegate members
- 101-150 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 3 delegate members
- 151-200 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 4 delegate members
- 201-250 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 5 delegate members
- 251-300 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 6 delegate members
- 301-350 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 7 delegate members
- 351-400 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 8 delegate members

- 401-450 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 9 delegate members
- 451-500 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 10 delegate members
- 501-550 Local League or Associate Local League Members (inclusive): 11 delegate members



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