

LOCAL LEAGUE REQUIREMENTS

The following are the minimum business requirements for a local league, as defined by LWVUS and LWVIL.

- have bylaws, the first three articles of which must be consistent with those of the LWVUS. The remaining articles must provide for democratic procedure.
- establish and maintain a nonpartisan policy.
- subscribe to League positions, and respect other Leagues' jurisdictions/ use of the name of LWV.
- adopt and adhere to the LWVUS diversity, equity and inclusion policy.
- meet its statutory obligations at the local, state and national levels of government.
- establish and maintain a conflict of interest policy.
- meet its financial obligations to the state and national levels of the League.
- hold an annual business meeting of the membership.
- hold regular board meetings.

Any advocacy pursued by the League must be consistent with League principles, positions and policies.

After careful consideration, the LWVIL Board has agreed to also require the following basic activities of a successful local League:

- conduct a community outreach activity (i.e., voter service, public meeting, recycling drive).
- hold one or more membership meetings or activities a year on League program issues.
- have membership sufficient to maintain League viability.
- provide a bulletin or other written communication with its members on a regular basis.
- adopt a budget with regard to its priorities.
- have a membership chair/committee with the goal of increasing membership. have a plan for membership growth and retention that encourages a membership as diverse as the community.

Questions or comments about these requirements and/or their implementation may be directed to the LWVIL Board President.