



# Member Bulletin

## October 2023

Most of us start and end our day with a dose of news—scrolling through our phone, reading a newspaper online or in print, checking out a news broadcast. Then maybe we talk about the news stories of the day with our friends or family. We are angry or happy about the stories, but we are only observers.

Now is your chance to do more than just read the news and talk about it; join us for [Lobby Day](#) in Springfield on Tuesday, October 24. We will be live and in person for the 2023 Veto Session to advocate against any legislation that revives or funds the Invest in Kids school voucher program. You can meet with your legislators in the Capitol to let them know how important it is to let the Invest in Kids Act sunset as planned.

We expect that there will be a group of people in the Capitol on the same day advocating to make the Invest in Kids Act a permanent piece of legislation. This group will probably be large, well-funded, and well-organized, which makes it even more important for the League of Women Voters to be there speaking up for public dollars in public education.

This is your chance to be more than an observer, this is your chance to take action. Join us in Springfield on October 24!

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# LOBBY DAY

## Raise Your Voice on Lobby Day

We're headed to Springfield! League of Women Voters members are invited to join us for [Lobby Day](#) during the 2023 Veto Session. [Sign up to join us on Tuesday, October 24.](#)

We'll be advocating for multiple League priority issues, including lobbying against the renewal of the Invest in Kids private school voucher program.

**Can't make it in person?** You can still make a difference by calling or emailing your state legislators on Lobby Day! [We have resources to help, including contact information for your legislators.](#)



## Submit Your League's Photos

We love to see the smiling faces of League members! Help LWVIL elevate and share the hard work of our members by [submitting photos of your local League's activities.](#)

All photo submissions will be added to our photo library. They may be used in LWVIL marketing and communications materials, including possible placement on the LWVIL website and social media platforms.



# Member Trainings

The following events are open only to League members.

## Observer Corps Training

Saturday, October 21  
10:00 am

[Register to attend.](#)

Interested in joining your league's Observer Corps? We'll get you trained!

We are opening up this session to high school students as well as current league members in response to increasing numbers of students who want to get to know their local town and school boards.

[Learn more about the Observer program.](#)

## Preference, Tradition, or Requirement Training

Thursday, November 9  
12:30 and 5:30 pm

[Register for 12:30 pm.](#)  
[Register for 5:30 pm.](#)

"But we've always done it that way!" Use the Preference, Tradition or Requirement (PTR) evaluation tool to focus on what really matters and how to best accomplish your goals.

This is the second in a series of Leadership Development Trainings hosted by LWVIL, with presenters from the LWVUS Organizing Team.

*This training has been rescheduled from its original date of October 5.*



## Election Worker Doc Airing on PBS

Thank you to the many Leagues who hosted "No Time to Fail" screenings and community discussions to raise awareness on our election process. If you didn't get the chance to see the documentary, PBS World is [premiering a nationwide screening](#) on October 26.



## Local League Events

Find more events (and share your local League's events!) on the [LWVIL website event calendar.](#)

Members power the League! Thank you for your time and donations.



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