

## TAKING ACTION THROUGH ADVOCACY

The League of Women Voters of Oregon is a 98-year-old grassroots nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government. The League *never* supports or opposes any candidate or political party. We envision informed Oregonians participating in a fully accessible, responsive, and transparent government to achieve the common good. We encourage respectful civil discourse.

**The LWVOR Legislative Action Team prioritized four key areas for the 2018 session:**

- **ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE** by supporting Clean Energy Jobs legislation to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions fast enough to avoid serious damage to the global climate ecosystem.
- **ADVOCATE FOR ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAMS** to help low-income people move toward financial stability.
- **REBALANCE THE 2017-19 BUDGET WITH LATEST REVENUE FORECAST:** by adequately funding services and functions critical to the well-being of Oregonians within revenues available. Plan for viable tax reform and stable revenue discussions/legislation in 2019.
- **PROTECT DEMOCRACY** by minimizing the influence of money in politics and promoting more representative elections systems.

**LWVOR Legislative Action** is based on [advocacy positions formed through studies and member consensus](#). You may follow League action activities, read positions, subscribe to our Legislative Reports, and follow League testimony at <http://lwvor.org/home/take-action>. Direct legislative inquiries to: Alice Bartelt, Action Chair, 503.246.0496, [alicebartelt@comcast.net](mailto:alicebartelt@comcast.net) or contact legislative coordinators listed below in governance, natural resources, social policy and education. General questions about LWVOR may be directed to Norman Turrill, President, 503.827.8251, [n.turrill@lwvor.org](mailto:n.turrill@lwvor.org) or Sarah Andrews, LWVOR Office Coordinator, 503.581.5722, [lwvor@lwvor.org](mailto:lwvor@lwvor.org).

### GOVERNANCE



Advocates for fair, equitable, and stable tax and revenue policies to adequately fund services and functions critical to Oregonians. Addresses elections policy including: National Popular Vote, campaign finance reform, laws and redistricting. **Actively follows good governance issues including ethics, efficiency,** citizen participation and access, public records law, and contemporary privacy and technology issues.

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## SOCIAL POLICY

Addresses adult corrections, judicial, public safety, gun safety, health care, mental health, housing, juvenile justice, foster care, social services and women's issues. Actively lobbies for anti-poverty programs to help low income citizens move toward financial stability.

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- Death Penalty Repeal: Alice Bartelt
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## EDUCATION POLICY

Addresses early learning, bridging transitions and education success (P-3, K-12, P-20). career technical programs (CTE), higher education, and advocates to minimize factors impacting education for children at risk or historically underserved and underachieving youth.

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- Early Learning and P/3: Nancy Lee Stewart, Pattie Johnson



## NATURAL RESOURCES

Addresses improved air quality by implementing and funding Cleaner Air Oregon rules, combating climate change, coastal management, clean energy, proper disposal of hazardous materials and solid waste, conservation, land use, parks, clean and abundant water supply for all, and resource preservation. Actively works on budgets and policies related to Oregon's 14 natural resource agencies.

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- Columbia River Treaty: Phillip Thor