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LWV OF ANCHORAGE 2019 MARCH

Dear Members,

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For our March VOTER we are just sending a quick email with the essentials:

* <u>All Member Meeting</u> - We hope you will join us for our Annual All Member Meeting. This is where we adopt our program, budget, officers and more for the upcoming year. Hear about all the amazing work that has been accomplished in the past year! Let your voice be heard! Tell us what you like, tell us what you'd like to see, tell us the vision you have for LWV of Anchorage!

Thursday, April 4th @ 6pm
3201 C Street - Please enter through the EAST Entrance (facing the mountains)

Special Guest Speaker - Assembly Member Austin Quinn-

* Youth Vote / Story Works Alaska Fundraiser - Members of Anchorage Youth Vote and Story Works Alaska Youth Team have been invited to present at the World Anti-Bullying Forum (WABF) in Dublin, Ireland this June! This group of dedicated students have been selected to present a workshop entitled "Youth Solution Makers: Empowering Generation Z and Building Resilience to End Bullying" at this year's WABF. Youth presenters at these conferences are rare, and they are thrilled to have been selected.

Here's where these amazing students need **YOU**:

In order to travel to present in Dublin, they are running a <u>Mighty Cause</u> <u>campaign</u>. Their goal is to raise \$12,000 by <u>April 30th</u> to cover half the travel costs of six students (three from Youth Vote and three from Story Works). Please contribute now if you can.

They have *less than 1 month* to raise enough money to register for the conference and purchase plane tickets to Dublin. We know that **this is a unique and momentous opportunity for Story Works and Youth Vote** students and we want to make it happen. If you can contribute, please know that **ANY** amount that you donate helps! You can donate \$5 or \$5,000 -- it all helps! Contributions are tax deductible and can be made online but you can also mail checks to:

The LWV Anchorage PO Box 103145, Anchorage, AK 99510

or drop off checks at the Youth Hub (Spirit of Youth 203 W. 15th Ave., #103, Anchorage, AK, 99501).

Please make checks out to: The LWV Education Fund Memo: Youth Vote

The opportunity for students to share what they do here in Anchorage with the rest of the world is an tremendous honor. This experience will have obvious benefits for the students who present, but some of the most important work will happen when the conference is over and they return home. Their goal is to incorporate all of the new knowledge they gain in Dublin and share those experiences and information with other youth and community groups, schools, elected officials, and youth serving professionals across Alaska.

They are also reaching out to corporations, foundations, contacts near and far, and quickly writing grants applications. So please let us know if you have additional ideas or contacts to share.

Thank you for your consideration and time! We appreciate your support.

* Motor to Vote - the LWV of Anchorage is hosting a 2-part event to have some fun at the drive by ballot drop boxes while supporting Anchorage's Vote-By-Mail! Ballots have already been mailed! The time to vote is now! the time to encourage all your eligible friends and family to vote is NOW!

There are *2 parts*:

- 1. Stop by 3201 C Street Suite 110 on Monday March 25th between 4:30 and 6pm to pick up some supplies to make signs and decorations for display PLUS sign up for a vote by mail ballot box in your area. All you have to do is create a fun and encouraging atmosphere to highlight Vote By Mail. More details available then!
- 2. Recruit other friends to join you on **Wed March 27th from 4:30-6:00pm** at the ballot box location you chose to wave "vote here!" signs and hand out stickers. Bring music, make decorations or whatever you please. Location information will be available March 25th.

Questions: call Shirley. 907-727-9549

*Spirit of Youth Awards - Tickets are still available for the 2019 Spirit of Youth Awards Dinner at the Downtown Marriott Hotel! The Spirit of Youth Awards highlight dedicated young people and unsung heroes from across Alaska. Now in its 21st year, the awards recognize the hard work and efforts of these future leaders and utilize this opportunity to report their inspiring and heartwarming stories. Tickets are \$65 for adults and \$50 for students.

www.spiritofyouth.org

We hope to see you at some or all of these wonderful events! Thank you for your support of League of Women Voters of Anchorage! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely, Margaret

Margaret McDonagh President, LWV of Anchorage