

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE YELLOW ROSE GARDEN

The League of Women Voters of the Piedmont Triad's travelling Yellow Rose Garden will illuminate areas throughout the triad during 2020 in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th amendment securing the vote for women.

The yellow rose, worn by suffragists during the struggle for the vote, became the symbol of VICTORY for women following the ratification of the 19th amendment to the US Constitution. The yellow rose appears in the center of the League of Women Voters of the Piedmont Triad Project 2020 logo, "1920-2020 Women Voting – America Changing".

VICTORY for women came after a 72-year-long struggle for the enfranchisement of women and 41 years after Susan B. Anthony proposed an amendment to Congress. Congress passed the 19th amendment in 1919, and thirty six states ratified it by late summer, 1920.

The purpose of the solar rose garden is to raise awareness of all citizens of the 100th anniversary of women voting, along with the reminder that many women and men are still denied the vote. As the yellow solar rose blooms naturally by day and lights up at night, may this yellow rose be a reminder to everyone seeing it of her/his responsibility to our Democracy and the fact that the right to vote came with a deep human cost.

If your organization is sponsoring a program in commemoration of the passage of the 19th amendment and would like information on having the solar garden placed at a site of your choice, contact Catherine Magid at itscatherinemagid@gmail.com.

The solar rose garden will consist of as many as 100 roses, depending on the site. We invite you to become an individual or organization sponsor at \$100, \$250 or any amount you are able to give. With the \$100 contribution you will receive one solar rose. As a \$250 sponsor, you will receive three solar roses. Tax deductible payments can be made to the LWVPT Education Fund, and mailed to LWVPT, P. O. Box 9721, Greensboro, NC 27429 or go online [www: LWVPT.org](http://www.LWVPT.org) and make your contribution.

Individual roses can be purchased at \$19 each for you to place at your home or give as a gift. Your individual rose can be picked up at a Lunch with the League meeting held every third Tuesday, January through April and September through November at noon at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 607 N. Greene Street, Greensboro, NC. Contact Willie Taylor at wtaylor001@triad.rr.com to make other arrangements for pick up or if you have questions.