

These positions were adopted by the League of Women Voters of the Piedmont Triad past years

Natural Resources

Water, from a position adopted in 1978.

The League supports measures which will maintain good water for human use, including: control of population density in the northwestern quadrant adjacent to the water reservoirs of Greensboro; encouragement of innovative building patterns which allow the retention of open space and controlled buffer zones along the main tributaries and reservoirs; use of tax revenue for a continuous program of purchasing open space and controlled buffer zones along the main tributaries and reservoirs.

Measures to reduce sedimentation and storm run-off; conservation of present water supplies by allowing water rates to reflect water costs.

Land Use, from a position adopted in 1978.

Sign Ordinances: the League supports sign ordinances for Guilford County.

Transportation, from a position adopted in 1976 and modified in 1993. The League supports development of modes of transportation that provide alternatives to the private automobile, such as a demand-response transportation system, improved bus and taxi programs and encouragement of carpooling and bikeways. The League supports continuation of a multi-modal transportation terminal in downtown Greensboro.

County Government

From a position adopted in 1974, with wording amended in 1991 to include LWVUS statement. The League supports working cooperation among the governmental units in the county. The League promotes an open governmental system that is representative, accountable, and responsive; that has a fair and adequate fiscal basis; that protects the individual liberties established by the Constitution; and that assures opportunities for citizen participation in governmental decision-making.

Child Care

From the position adopted in 1980. The League supports creation of day care centers at the parent's workplace. Appropriate levels of education and qualifications, with adequate compensation, for care providers and staff.

Education

From a position adopted in 1991. The Guilford County School System shall have clearly defined goals and a plan for achieving them. It must have effective, accountable leadership, community-wide commitment to district goals, parental involvement in decision-making and adequate funding. Goals should include a coordinated curriculum with appropriate grade-level expectations and standards in all subjects; thinking and problem solving skills should be integrated into the curriculum; the needs of each individual student should be met; and class size should be appropriate for age and activity.

Incarceration and Alternatives

From a position adopted in 2007, amended in 2008. The LWVPT found that the space for incarceration is inadequate and that new facilities should be built and the old facility in Greensboro renovated. Additional space should be adequately and fairly funded by a combination of sources including Guilford County Annual Budget and bonds. Bonds are preferable to certificates of participation. In addition the LWVPT also supports appropriate alternatives to incarceration.

Health Policy

From a position adopted in 2009. Promote a healthy community that recognizes the import of social, geographic, and political influences. Promote a health care system for the Piedmont Triad that provides access to affordable, quality care for all residents, including the prevention of disease, primary care (including prenatal and reproductive health), acute care, long-term care, and mental health care (including substance abuse treatment). Promote control of health care costs, equitable distribution of services, efficient and economical delivery of care, advancement of medical research and technology, and a reasonable total expenditure level for health.