WHO PARTICIPATES IN CONVENTION?

Any local LWV member or Member-at-Large from South Carolina is welcome to attend. One of our goals is to have

100% representation from all our Local Leagues and Member-at-Large Units. Again, consider tapping some of your emerging leaders to give them the training and networking opportunities that Convention offers. Non-members are welcome to attend as non-voting observers.

LWVSC Bylaws specify the number of voting delegates that each local League is permitted. This delegate number is based on the official 2017 membership count. Local Leagues assign official delegate status to members, usually at a board meeting. Note that if your League has member(s) who serve on the LWVSC Board of Directors, those members are delegates who represent the state board, and aren't counted against your local League delegate allocation.

We urge your League to fill your quota of delegates. In addition to delegates, members may attend as nonvoting guests. The LWV stands for the active, informed participation of citizens in democratic processes at all levels of government. What better way to exercise that right and responsibility than in the grassroots governance of the League?

LWVSC Bylaws, Article VII, specifies that the Convention shall consist of:

- Delegates chosen by the members of each local League. See count table below. Each League is
 entitled to at least one delegate; when local League membership reaches 15 voting members, the
 local League shall be entitled to one additional delegate; thereafter one additional delegate is
 authorized for each additional ten voting members up to 105 and one additional delegate for each
 additional 25 or major fraction thereof.
- One voting delegate from each Member-at-Large Unit.
- Members of the State Board.

Local League Delegate Count Table.*

According to LWVSC Bylaws, local Leagues may send the following number of <u>voting</u> delegates to state convention;

1-14 members:	1 delegate	75-84 members:	8 delegates
15-24 members:	2 delegates	85-94 members:	9 delegates
25-34 members:	3 delegates	95-104 members:	10 delegates
35-44 members:	4 delegates	105-117 members:	11 delegates
45-54 members:	5 delegates	118-142 members:	12 delegates
55-64 members:	6 delegates	143-167 members:	13 delegates
65-74 members:	7 delegates	168-192 members:	14 delegates, etc.
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Note: Local League member count is based on LWVUS records of voting members as of February 1, 2017. Member-at-Large Units may send one voting delegate to convention. Leagues may send an unlimited number of nonvoting observers to convention. Any League member from South Carolina is welcome to attend.