# STRATEGIC PLAN 2015–2018 League of Women Voters of Boulder County ACTION STEPS/GOALS, Brief Summary 10.24.17

## Education, Action and Advocacy Ops Team, Mary Ann Wilner, Director

#### Year One

- 1. Develop Communication plan between Issue Teams and BOD
- 2. Identify speakers from Issue Teams, ready to present at Community Conversations
- 3. Action VP to hold Issue Team Leaders meetings at least 2X/year
- 4. Issue Team leaders monthly reports for BOD
- 5. Encourage Issue Teams to hold regular meetings so that we can publish and encourage community participation
- **6.** Create Issue Team Leaders' manual

#### Year Two

- 1. Reinvigorate Schools Team to include St Vrain School District
- 2. Create an Issue Team Leader Manual
- 3. Work with Events VP to provide at least 2 topics for Community Conversations and/or Drinks & Dialogue events
- 4. Increase involvement between legislators and the public
- 5. Work with Events VP to reach hundreds in the community with educational forums on 69, 101 and others

## Year Three

- Strengthen Issue Teams' skill sets through meetings/trainings and development of an IT Leaders Manual
- 2. Expand external education for, and communication with the public community, through Community Conversations, Drinks & Dialogue, and a Legislators' event
- 3. Enhance communication between the Issue Teams, Board and members through monthly communications and Program Planning meetings

## Fund Development Ops Team, Louisa Young, Director

## Year One

- 1. Mail ballot issues pamphlet with solicitation letter in the Fall
- 2. Update website to allow donations to view prominently
- 3. Develop an annual fundraising event
- 4. Promote grocery card usage
- 5. Investigate 5% day at Wholefoods and others
- 6. Preprinted envelopes for donations at ALL events
- 7. Apply for grants
- 8. Direct approach to members for large donations

#### Year Two

1. Establish 501 C(3) status for LWVBC

- 2. Suggest funding strategies for administrative position
- 3. Increase number of grant proposals submitted by one per year
- 4. Increase total funds raised through various methods (grocery cards, bulbs, dues, etc.)

#### Year Three

- 1. Obtain pledges for 2-year commitment to Administrative Assistant
- 2. Implement a corporate giving program targeting Boulder County companies
- 3. Implement a fundraising program targeting retail organizations locally and through Amazon Smile
- 4. Raise funds through Colorado Gives Day

## Governance and Leadership Ops Team, Peggy Leech, Director

#### Year One

- 1. Review board structure
- 2. Revise job descriptions
- 3. Review nominating committee role
- 4. Establish practices for Issue Team BOD communication
- 5. Begin study on administrative assistant
- 6. Establish understudy/mentoring process for BOD positions

#### Year Two

- 1. Complete study and a decision to hire an administrative assistant
- 2. Review nominating committee process to target recruitment of specific skills
- 3. Establish a speakers bureau to educate, engage voters and promote our mission
- 4. Develop and implement awards process community and members
- 5. Investigate a volunteer program (non-members)

## Year Three

- 1. Hire Administrative Assistant
- 2. Investigate and develop processes for document storage and archiving
- 3. Identify and develop future leaders for LWVBC

#### Membership Ops Team, Ruth Stemler, Director

# Did not focus on during Year One, but membership increased by 16%!

#### Year Two

- 1. Contact each member once per year to increase membership involvement
- 2. Create a "New Member Welcome" program to establish a relationship with each member
- 3. Highlight value and benefits of membership to increase membership
- 4. Establish a new group category of allied non-profit organizations
- 5. Begin a partnership with existing youth advisory groups in Boulder County cities
- 6. Be part of three Drinks & Dialogue events with the Events Team

#### Year Three

- 1. Increase membership by 10% through Membership Team efforts to recruit and retain members
- 2. Orientation and engagement of new members through personal contact
- 3. Engage major portion of members in Club Express and its Membership features

4. Increase the number of members in the 16-35 age range

# Communication, Outreach & Marketing Ops Team, Rionda Osman-Jouchoux, Director Year One

- 1. PR/marketing professional for the BOD
- 2. 2 members of Latino community as members and then members of BOD
- 3. College internship
- 4. Increased internet presence
- 5. Show Up at community events with name badges, cards, elevator speech
- 6. Develop a coordinated database that can be used to inform the community what LWVBC is doing (Vertical Response)
- 7. Training on social mobilization for BOD and Team leaders
- 8. Encourage each Issue Team to write one Op Ed letter for the paper this year
- **9.** Investigate drinks and dialogue

#### Year Two

- 1. Coordinate communications for issue teams and event planners more efficiently
- 2. Increase media presence Facebook, Instagram, website, MeetUp.
- 3. Increase radio coverage and training in radio
- 4. Conduct a needs assessment of various software packages to manage membership lists, mailing lists, email lists, fund drives, etc, etc. and recommend a purchase

#### Year Three

- 1. Collect multiple use materials, emphasizing personal stories, for the newsletter, website, Facebook, etc., including photos, quotes, vignettes
- 2. Further efforts to engage Spanish speakers through translated articles
- 3. Additional statements pending re: Facebook use, posting materials, training, management, etc.

## Voter Service Ops Team, Susan Saunders, Director

#### Year One

- 1. VRDs simplify, more on-line, chromebooks and different audiences and partners
- 2. Ballot issue presentations *improve scheduling practices*
- 3. Identify ballot issues worth an educational forum and execute
- 4. Visit city clerks and county clerks, which areas of county to focus on?

#### Year Two

- 1. More VRDs especially coordinated with other organizations and for targeted populations
- 2. VOTE 411 expand advertising, improve preparations of voter guide, input, etc.
- 3. Conduct targeted candidate forums such as Perspectiva Latino
- 4. Ballot issue presentations *improve scheduling practices*

#### Year Three

- 1. Simplify and expand Voter Registration Drive opportunities by targeting audiences for VRDs to improve registration rates
- 2. Identify ballot issues worthy of educational forums
- 3. Create writers group for ballot issues to be depended upon annually