Program Committee
Annual Report 2021-2022

Purpose
The LWVMT Program Committee meets monthly with the goal to provide membership with informational meetings on topics of interest.

Chair
Patti Mullen

Committee Members
Kathy Bracy, Cecile Jairamani, Anne Williams, Judy den Daas, Kathleen Kastelic, Laurie Phillips, Lynn Staggs, Madison Curley, Patti Mullen, Sue Ginsburg, Tania Garza, Wayne Greene, Jennifer Solis, Janessa Mondestin, Julie Gustafson, Joe Desbarres

Meeting Schedule (how frequently and when met)
First Monday of the month via Zoom

Overview of Year's Activities (goals, activities, events, challenges, etc.)
- October 21,2021: Hosted a Community Chat with Tulsa Public Schools Superintendent Deborah Gist, facilitated by committee member Wayne Greene. Topics included meeting today's challenges in Tulsa Public Schools, such as decreased enrollment and the teacher shortage in the district.
- Civil Discourse: LWVMT is partnering with TYPROS Government Relations Crew to host a forum planned for September 2022 in preparation for the midterm elections, focusing on Civil Discourse in Today's Politics. Topics and a facilitator have been selected. Currently searching for a location to host a hybrid model (in-person and Zoom/Facebook Live).
- Committee members discussed the impact that homelessness and compromised housing standards had and are still having on an individual's ability or opportunity to vote, with potential for educational programming on this topic in the future.
- Committee members participated in LWVOK's study on Criminal Justice Reform, with a focus on issues faced by women exiting incarceration, as well as resources available to them.

Recommendations
- Kathy Bracy recommends the Tulsa League focus on Tulsa County issues, and encouraging the City of Broken Arrow to co-sponsor events or causes with the Tulsa League.
- Continue working with TYPROS Government Relations Crew on future programming. Committee member Jenni Gray has joined this crew to help with this effort.