



Voter Services Committee Annual Report 2022-2023

Purpose:

The Voter Services Committee is responsible for organizing and facilitating voter registration training, voter registration events, planning and organizing candidate forums, and producing the local Tulsa County Voter Guide. This committee also is responsible for updating the information for the Directory of Government Officials and serves as the liaison for Vote411.org.

Members:

Tommy Yap (Chair)
Emily Gamel
Emma Garrett-Nelson
Dr. Cornice Wilson

Ad Hoc:

Lynn Staggs
Shai Marion

Scheduled Meetings:

First Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm via Zoom

Successes:

- Hosted and arranged the City Council District 5 candidate forum
- Updated Voter411.org with local election information
- Prepared and disseminated the local voter guide (physical print)
- Partnered with TCTA to host the Tulsa Public School District 1 candidate forum
- Provided voter registration assistance for 11 events

Challenges:

- Sustainable volunteer pool that is able to meet the time needs of requesting organizations
- Confusion over who is voting and when (both because of staggered seats and the TPS redistricting confusion)
- League resources visibility
- Participation from all candidates
- Identifying how best to use grant funding

Recommendations:

- Create a roadmap and calendar for the 2024 Election Year
 - Layout all goals, programs, and events including due dates and member assignments
 - Include other League committees who may be involved in voter outreach (ex: coordinated voter messaging between Communications and Voter Services Committees)
- All candidate forums rather than district by district
 - Increase candidate participation while honoring the League's "no empty chair" stance
- Establish relations with organizations who connect with underserved and underrepresented voting populations
 - Facilitate how the League can augment an organization's current services
- Expand the League's available volunteer pool