

2025 LWVAZ BIENNIAL CONVENTION FAQ

What is a Convention?

The convention is a biennial event that serves as LWVAZ 's bylaws-prescribed business meeting, as well as an opportunity for League members to gather for interactive workshops. These workshops offer training, support planning GOTV efforts, and focus on other campaigns related to defending democracy. Additionally, members will have the chance to discuss potential LWVAZ public policy positions and vote on proposals related to public policy.

Who are the Convention Hosts

The biennial conventions are hosted by The League of Women Voters of Arizona state board in collaboration with a local league serving as the local host. The 2025 convention local host is the League of Women Voters of Metro Phoenix.

When is the 2025 Convention?

The 2025 Convention will take place from May 17-18. It will begin on Saturday, May 17, with a Check In at 9:00 a.m. and will adjourn by 4:00 p.m. on Sunday May 18. This is a fully in-person event hosted by LWVAZ, with local logistics and events coordinated by the League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Phoenix.

Where is the Convention?

The 2025 convention is an all-in-person event that will take place at the Cambria Hotel Phoenix – North Scottsdale, 4425 East Irma Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85050. Click here to find out more about the venue. While some portions of the convention may be recorded, there will be no live streaming of deliberations or events. This decision is due to both financial constraints and venue limitations. We appreciate your understanding as we prioritize an engaging and accessible in-person experience.

Who can attend the convention?

All current dues paying members of the League of Women Voters of Arizona—whether affiliated with a local League or Members-at-Large—are invited to attend the 2025 Convention, either as voting delegates or as non-delegates.

While non-delegates do not vote on business motions, they are encouraged to participate actively in all presentations, events, and discussions, and to ask questions during the business sessions to deepen their understanding of League operations.



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Our local host, the League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Phoenix (LWVMP), is coordinating excellent meals and creating meaningful opportunities for networking with fellow League members throughout the convention.

Who are the Convention delegates?

Convention delegates are the voting members of the LWVAZ Board of Directors, as well as representatives from local Leagues. Registration opens on April 1. If you plan to attend as a delegate, your local board will need to approve your attendance as a delegate. The number of delegates allotted to each local League is based on its membership as of January 31, 2025. Local league boards have been provided this information.

Can I attend the Convention and not be a delegate?

Yes. All dues paying members can attend the convention. Non delegates will attend as Convention observers, who can participate in all non-plenary activities and observe plenary without presenting, debating, or voting on any motions.

What are the registration fees to attend convention

The registration fee for the 2025 Convention is **\$275.00** per attendee. This fee applies to <u>all</u> <u>attendees</u>, including both delegates and non-delegates, and is required for admission to the convention.

The registration fee covers all convention expenses, including **continental breakfast and lunch on both Saturday and Sunday**, as well as **Saturday dinner**.

Registration opens April 1 and closes May 4.

If you plan to attend as a **voting delegate**, your local League board must approve your delegate status prior to registration.

Are there costs besides registration associated with the Convention?

All attendees are responsible for all travel costs associated with the trip, as well as lodging arrangements. The Cambria hotel has blocked 10 rooms for attendees who wish to stay at the hotel. A complete list of lodging options will be made available soon. Find our more about Lodging options here WVV Lodging for 2025 Convention.docx.pdf



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What happens at the Convention?

LWVAZ's bylaws require delegates to meet every two years to vote on a variety of items, including the biennial budget, the election of LWVAZ officers (President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer) the Nominating Committee Chair who serves as non voting ex-officio on the state board, any proposed bylaw amendments. Additionally the convention will consider proposals for studies to revise and or adopt new positions.

During the convention, attendees will hear from speakers on the theme of the event, pressing issues facing the state, and calls to action. Workshops organized for this convention will include hands-on activities designed to engage attendees, encouraging them to provide input and suggest solutions for preparing for the 2026 elections and campaigns to defend democracy.

There is something for everyone at the Convention, from new members of local Leagues to long-standing state League leaders and everyone in between.

What about my question that wasn't answered on this page?

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