

CIVICS ACTIVITIES

for Middle School Students

Celebrating 100 years since the passage of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, giving women the right to vote, 1920-2020.

The League of Women Voters of Glenview-Glencoe presents this civics booklet to students at Glenview's Attea and Springman Middle Schools to educate and inspire good citizens.





SPRING 2021

Some GLENVIEW logos





















The seal of the state of Illinois is colorful. Color it the way it looks on the website

www2.illinois.gov/Pages/about/StateSeal.aspx



EVERY VOTE COUNTS

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COUNT EVERY VOTE

Test Your Glenview Knowledge



 Circle the population of Glenview. 47,000 31,000
Name two parks in Glenview
 Circle number of libraries. 0 1
 Circle number of outdoor pools. 0
 Does Glenview have an Ice Center? yes no
 Does Glenview have golf courses?
 Number of restaurants (pre-Covid shutdown). 250 35
 The year Glenview was incorporated. 1776 1899
The Glenview Air Naval Station is now known as The
Is Wagner Farm a working farm? yes no
 What avenue leads to The Grove?
 Name the largest employer in Glenview
 Circle number students at Glenbrook South? 1500 3100
 Circle total students at both GBS & GBN. 4000 5000
 Circle total number of students in D34 middle schools. 900 1800
Glenview is in County.
 Circle average home value \$200,000 \$450,000
 Circle the Glenview symbol Bear Lion Rabbit
 Glenview is a (circle one) Village City. County
Based on 2010 Census data. Find answers In Wikipedia.

Glenview Government



www.glenview.il.us/Pages/Default.aspx

VILLAGE BOARD

The Village board consists of a president and seven trustees, each elected for 4-year terms on a rotating basis. All members are unpaid volunteers. When there is a vacancy, the replacement Trustee is appointed by the President.

COMMISSIONS

Building

Development – New Development (effective July 1, 2021)

Development – Development Adjustments (effective July 1, 2021)

Fire & Police

Fire Pension Fund

Natural Resources

Police Pension Fund

Volunteers apply and are appointed for variable terms, depending on the commission.

DEPARTMENTS

The village is run by a hired manager who answers to the Village Board.

Village employees, who report to the manager, staff the various departments.

Administrative Services

Community Development

Fire Department

Police Department

Public Works

OTHER VOLUNTEER BOARDS SERVING GLENVIEW RESIDENTS

School - elected for 4-year terms
Park District - elected for 6-year terms
Library - elected for 4-year terms

Members of the Village Board are elected every other April in Consolidated local elections. Most Commissioners are appointed. All are volunteers. They provide guidance to the Village departments based on best past practices and community input. All Board and Commission meetings are open to the public. If you have an issue, you may attend a meeting and speak directly. Many of the meetings are recorded so you can watch at any time. All minutes of the meetings are open to the public.

<u>www.glenview.il.us/government/Pages/Commission-Volunteer-Form.aspx</u> is the form if your parents want to serve on a Commission.

Glenview Governs

Whose Job is It?

Possible Answers: Village, School Board, Park District, Library, Police, Fire,
Natural Resources Commission, Appearance Commission

•	Ensures that a factory is not built in a residential area
•	Approves the development of Glenview housing affordability options
•	Approves adding/revising educational curriculum
•	Concerned with removing invasive plant species
•	Considers increasing digital collections
•	Issued a ban on use of cancer-causing coal tar sealants on residential driveways
•	Considers adding/removing athletic programs
•	Evaluates advertisement signage
•	Maintains healthy tree and fields in public spaces
•	Answers 911 calls
•	Answers calls of neighbors seeing smoke
•	Maintains safe Village roadways



Answers: Village, School Board, Natural Resources Commission, Library, Village, Park District, Appearance Commission, Village, Police, Fire, Village

VOTING FAQS

For additional information: www.CookCountyClerk.com

- What are voter registration requirements? 18 years old, U.S. citizen and a resident at current address for past 30 days.
- How do I register to vote? Online, by mail, in person at voter registration events or County Clerk locations. You can even register on Election Day at your assigned polling location.
- Do I need to re-register every year? No, only re-register if you moved or changed your name.
- What ID do I need to register to vote? **2 forms with your name, including one with your current address.**
- Why do I need to give my address? To verify that you are eligible to vote for the candidates running for office in your precinct.
- Do I need to own my own home to vote? No
- Where do I vote? Early voting at Glenview Village Hall, voting by mail, Election Day voting at your local polling place, e.g., schools, churches, park district buildings, etc.
- What if I am away at college? Can I still vote in a local election? You may request a vote by mail ballot by online or by mail application.
- Can I vote if I am not a US citizen? **No.**
- What is a primary? A Primary is an election where voters indicate a choice for a party's (e.g., Republican, Democrat, Green) candidate from among a field of several to place on the ballot for an upcoming general election.
- When are elections? General election day is 1st Tuesday in November in even numbered years, e.g., 2020, 2022, etc. Primary date is usually in March prior to the General election. Local (Consolidated or Municipal) elections are held in odd numbered years, e.g., 2021, 2023 usually the 1st Tuesday in April.

VOTING

FAQS (continued)

- What if I missed the deadline to vote? You may not vote after the polls have closed at 7 pm on Election Day.
- What if I don't want to vote for anyone listed on the ballot? You might be able to write in a candidate of your choice.
- Do I need to tell people how I voted? No, it is secret ballot.
- Do I need to pay so I can vote? No one pays to vote.
- If I have two homes, can I vote twice? No, one vote per person.
- Would you prefer to have an elector cast your vote (Electoral College)? Or cast your vote directly (popular vote)
 Electoral College Popular vote
- Where can I find information about the candidates? Go to multiple sources such as newspapers, online media, candidate websites. Also League of Women Voters IllinoisVoterGuide.org. The more you research, the more you'll be able to tell facts from misinformation.
- The League of Women Voters host Candidate Forums which give the public an opportunity to interact with the candidates. yes no
- The League of Women Voters promotes civil discourse. yes no
- Does voter suppression make it harder to vote? yes no
- Does nonpartisan mean impartial or neutral? yes no

IllinoisVoterGuide.org

This QR code connects with the IllinoisVoterGuide, which has online information about candidates on a ballot. Ask your parents and grandparents if they know what this symbol is and how they can use it.



State of Illinois Factoids



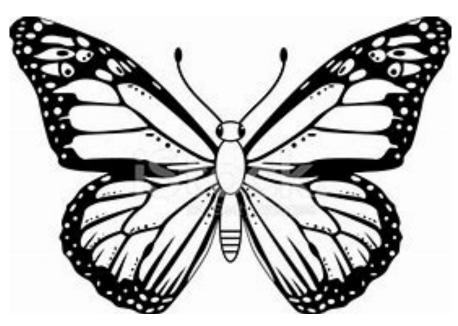
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0	Illinois slogan is Land of
0	A second nickname for Illinois is The State.
0	Illinois population in millions
0	Illinois capital
	Illinois Governor
0	Illinois U.S. Senators
	Largest city in Illinois
0	State of Illinois abbreviation
0	Illinois borders this Great Lake
0	Corn, soybeans and pigs are top products.
0	Colonized in the 1600's by
0	Number of states sharing IL border
0	We get our drinking water from Lake
0	75% of Illinois land is used for
0	Number of legislators in the IL General Assembly, i.e.,
	State Senators and State Representatives
0	The native American word <i>Illiniwek</i> means
0	Number of IL Congress(wo)men in the US House of Representatives
0	Number of IL Senators in the US Senate

People, 18, 2

Answers: Mississippi, Lincoln, Prairie, 12,800,000, Springfield, Pritzker, Durbin and Duckworth, Chicago, IL, Michigan Agriculture, France, 5 (Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin, Missouri, Kentucky), Michigan, Farmland, 177, Best

Color These Illinois State Favorites





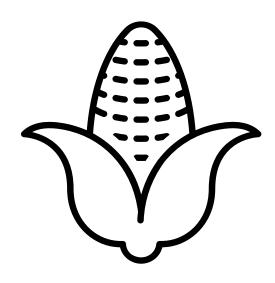
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Color These Illinois State Symbols



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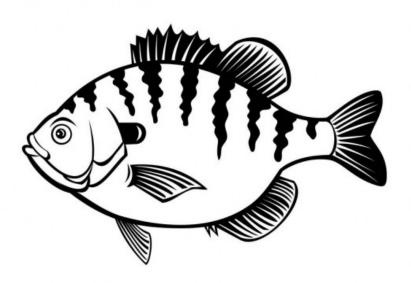


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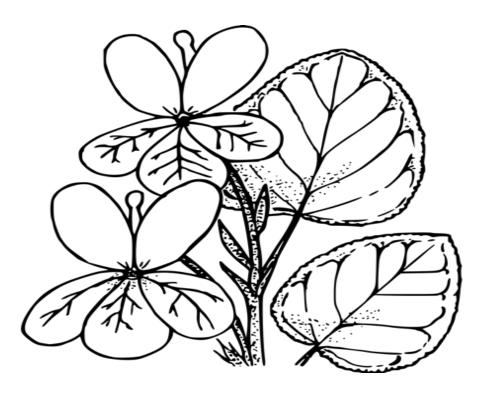
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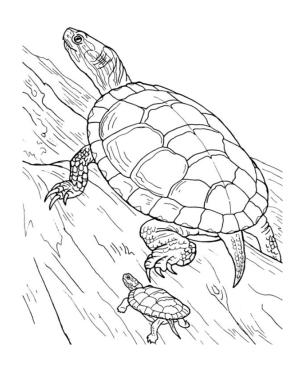
STATE FISH IS BLUE GILL



COLOR THESE ILLINOIS STATE SYMBOLS



STATE FLOWER IS VIOLET



STATE REPTILE IS PAINTED TURTLE

Who Represents You?

The Federal government, State of Illinois and the Village of Glenview are divided into voting districts with a representative at all three levels. Shown below are people who may represent you at the State and Federal levels. The State representatives and State Senators work in the IL General Assembly in Springfield on State of IL issues. The Congress(wo)men and US Senators work in Washington, DC on national policies affecting all citizens. Each voter has one State Senator, one State Representative, one US congressperson, and two US Senators. (Here is a hint: Row 1 is IL State Representatives; row 2 is IL State Senators, and row 3 is US Senators and US Congresspersons.

Find your representatives using this website: www.illinoispolicy.org/maps/
Then circle YOUR 5 representatives below.



Robyn GABEL



John D'AMICO



Jennifer GONG-GERSHOWITZ



Laura FINE



Ram VILLIVALAM



Dick DURBIN



Tammy DUCKWORTH

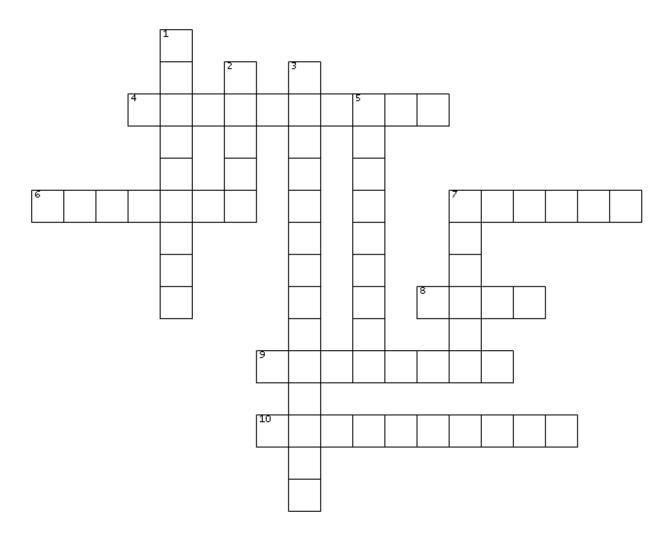


Jan SCHAKOWSKY



Brad SCHNEIDER

Who Represents Glenview?



Hint: their initials are in ()

ACROSS

- 4. US Congresswoman from IL (JS)
- 6. IL State Representative (JC)
- 7. US Senator from IL (DD)
- 8. IL State Senator (LF)
- 9. IL State Senator (JM)
- 10. IL State Senator (RV)

DOWN

- 1. US Senator from IL (TD)
- 2. Il State Representative (RG)
- 3. IL State Representative (JG-G)
- 5. US Congressman from IL (BS)
- 7. IL State Representative (JD)

Answers: Carroll, Gabel, Gong-Gershowitz, D'Amico, Fine, Villivalam, Morrison, Durbin, Duckworth, Schakowsky, Schneider

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CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

Governor J. B. Pritzker www2.illinois.gov/sites/gov/contactus 217-782-6830

State Senator Ram Villivalam (8th District) <u>www.senatorram.com</u> 872-208-5188

State Senator Laura Fine (9th District) <u>www.senatorfine.com</u> 847-998-1717

State Representative John D'Amico (15th District) johnd@ilga.gov 773-736-0218

State Representative Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz (17th District) www.gonggershowitz.com 847-486-8810

State Representative Robyn Gabel (18th District) Robyngabel.com 847-424-5401

U.S. Senator Dick Durbin www.durbin.senate.gov 312-353-4952

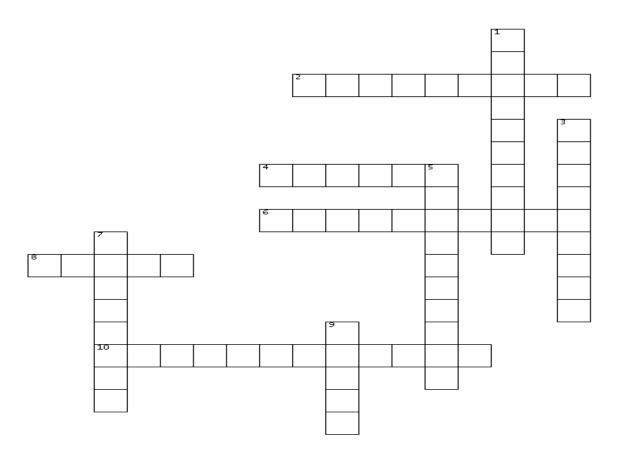
U.S. Senator Tammy Duckworth www.duckworth.senate.gov 312-886-3506



U.S. Representative Brad Schneider (10th District) Schneider.house.gov 847-793-0677



STUMP YOUR PARENTS With U.S. HISTORY



ACROSS

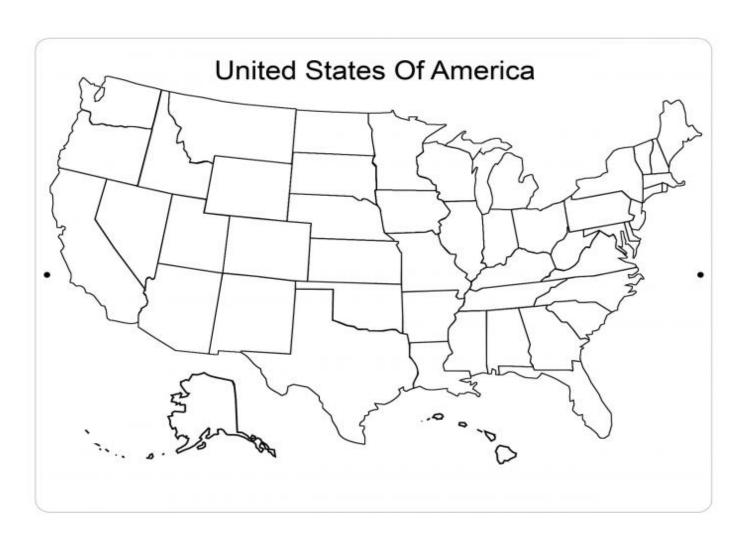
- 2. wrote the Declaration of Independence
- 4. enslaved people were brought from this Continent
- 6. original inhabitants of the US land
- 8. month in which Federal income taxes are due
- 10. the first 10 amendments to the Constitution

DOWN

- 1. first President of US under the Constitution
- 3. state purchased from France
- 5. 27 of these were added to the US Constitution
- 7. introduction to the Constitution
- 9. war fought between 1861-1865

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS

CAN YOU WRITE THE NAME OF THE 50 STATES?
Check out the colored map at the end of this booklet for answers.





CAN YOU NAME THE FIVE GREAT LAKES?

(Hint: The first letters of their names together spell HOMES.)

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS

WRITE THE NAME OF: two states that border on Canada _____ • one state in the Rust Belt _____ one state in the Corn Belt • the Aloha State _____ • the Empire State _____ • the Land of Enchantment State _____ IN WHICH STATE ARE THESE LOCATED? Motor City _____ Grand Ole Opry ______ • Statue of Liberty _____ • Liberty Bell _____ **PEOPLE – WHICH STATE HAS:** • the largest population? _____ • the smallest population? _____ • the largest number of Representatives in US Congress? • the largest geographical area? ______ • the city with most people? _____ ETC. • The U.S. has 432 national parks. Name one • Is Washington, D.C. a state? Yes No

Name one U.S. Territory.

Can you find all the schools?

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FIND THESE: WESTBROOK, GLEN GROVE, HENKING, HOFFMAN, LYON, PLEASANT RIDGE, SPRINGMAN, ATTEA, GBS

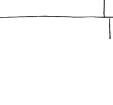
You attend D34 schools. Do you know that some kids do NOT go to D34 schools? That is because they do not live in the D34 school district or they may go to private schools like OLPH. Do you know the difference between public and private schools? In Glenview, there are eight D34 public elementary schools and one D225 public high school. GBS is an abbreviation for Glenbrook South.

WAYS YOU CAN MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

The State of Illinois Civics curriculum includes a requirement for projects or experiences outside the classroom. To assist you as you complete this part of the class, what follows is a partial list of suggestions. Check with your teacher and parents to find out what kind of documentation you will need for each of the projects.

- Attend a "virtual" D34 or D 225 school board meeting
- Attend a "virtual" meeting of the Glenview Village Board or Glenview Library Board
- Attend a meeting of the Glenview Park
 District Board
- Identify a specific issue of importance to you and send an email or postcard to your state senator or representative about it.

- Find out what the issues will be in the next local, state or national election; choose one issue and decide how you feel about it. Talk with two different adults about it.
- Find an older person in your neighborhood and offer to help him/her. (Examples: shovel snow, cut the grass, carry groceries, lift heavy objects, walk the dog, run errands.)
- Volunteer for a local clean-up project. (Examples: Techny Basin cleanup day, Lake Michigan beach cleanup and more)
 - Participate in a canned food drive for the Maine or Northfield Township Food Pantry.
 - Serve as an intern to the Natural Resources Commission when you are in high school.



U.S. Presidents

1952-2021

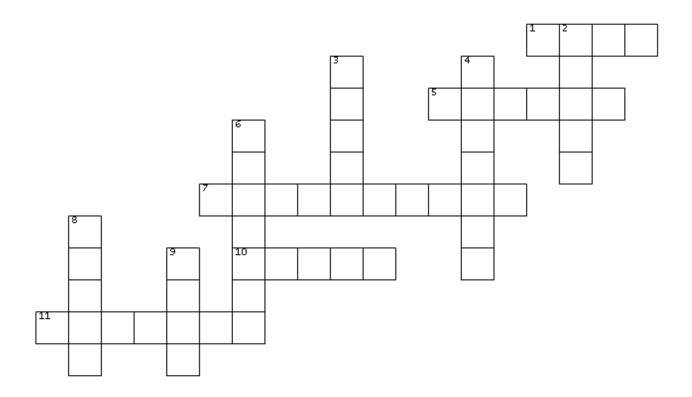
ACROSS

- 1. was VP before becoming President in 1970s
- 5. former actor
- 7. former general nicknamed "lke"
- 10. former reality show host
- 11. became President after Kennedy assassination

DOWN

- 2. President in the year of your birth
- 3. current President
- 4. assassinated in office
- 6. born in Hope, Arkansas
- 8. opened relations between China and the U.S.
- 9. both father and son were Presidents





WHAT IS THIS PHRASE? AND WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

(ANSWER: THIS IS THE PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION.)

Read the Preamble across the puzzle. The blank spaces are missing letters that are shown in the vertical cells below the puzzle. Once you use a letter in the cell, you can't use it again. You can put an x through it! This puzzle is kind of hard. DON'T GIVE UP!

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"Sheroes": Women Who Made and Make a Difference

2020 marked the centennial celebration of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution which, in 1920, recognized women's right to vote. There are so many women we call sheroes who made and are making a difference. Below are some sheroes you should know. On the companion page you will see a hint about them, then fill in the blank spaces to complete their names. anniversary.































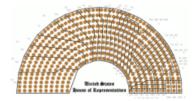
"SHEROES":

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FILL IN THE MISSING LETTERS TO LEARN THE NAMES OF THESE SHEROES.

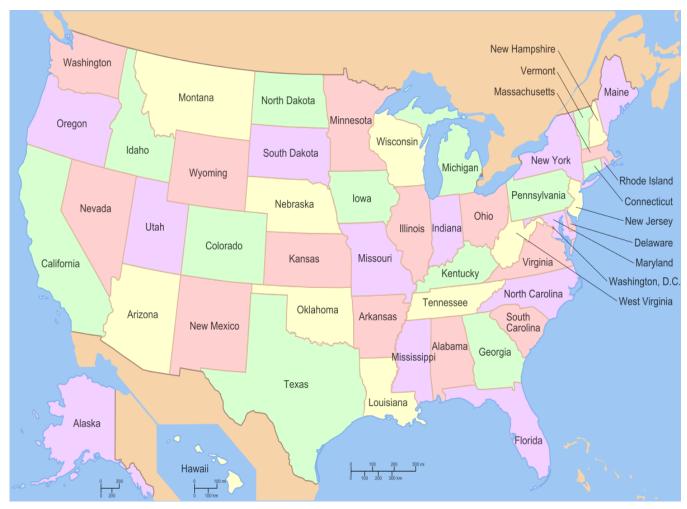
•	Abolitionist, suffragist, author, lived in Chicago. Id_B. W s
	Only woman pictured on US moneyus B. An ny
•	Civil Rights activist who refused to give up her seat on a bus. R _ a P s
•	First woman of color to serve in the US Congress. $P __syM__k$
•	First woman justice on US Supreme Court. S _ nd D O'C r
•	Former leader of the Cherokee Nation. Wil M _ nk er
•	Recently deceased 2 nd woman appointed to US Supreme Court.
	R _ th Ba r Gi _ s _bur_
•	First woman astronaut in space. Sa y Ri
•	Iconic poster figure as women entered work force in WW II. Ro e the Rit _r
•	Former labor leader of United Farm Workers. D_lo Hue
•	Author of <i>The Hunger Games</i> and other works. S _ zan C lin _
•	Teen women's/girls' rights activist, author. Ma a Yo _ s _ f z
•	Teen Climate change advocate. G _ t _ Thu _ b g
•	First African American First Ladyich e _ ba
•	Teen gun safety advocate. E G _ onz z
•	Do you know a "She-roe"?

The U.S.: A Representative Democracy



The United States is an example of a Representative Democracy. **Representative democracy**, also known as **indirect democracy** or **representative government**, is a type of democracy founded on the principle of elected officials representing a group of people, as opposed to direct democracy.

A **direct democracy** is one in which the people do not have other people, i.e., representatives, voting <u>for</u> them; they vote directly on the issues for themselves.





What Does the League of Women Voters Do?

- Advocates for changes in legislation that will result in equitable solutions and civil rights protections.
- Activates voters through voter registration and issue education.
- Protects voter rights by working for equitable access.
- Creates opportunities for communities to come together to discuss issues and shape solutions for the future.
- Promotes civic engagement by teaching people how to access the tools they need to make a difference.

Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

LWV is an organization fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in principle and in practice. Diversity, equity, and inclusion are central to the organization's current and future success in engaging all individuals, households, communities, and policy makers in creating a more perfect democracy.



The League of Women Voters of Glenview/Glencoe is a nonpartisan, political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of public policy issues and seeks to influence public policy through education and advocacy. The League is nonpartisan in that it neither supports nor opposes candidates or political parties, and political in that is takes action on government issues for which positions have been adopted through member study and agreement.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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PO BOX 2393, GLENVIEW IL 60025

Open to women and men and students over 16 years. Our members live in various local towns and villages not limited to Glenview and Glencoe.

Glencoe LWV established in 1941 Glenview LWV established in 1946

League of Women Voters of the U.S. lwv.org
League of Women Voters of Cook County | lwvcookcounty.org

ILLINOISVOTERGUIDE.org

for all voter questions

