

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF HAWAII
EDUCATION FUND POLICIES

Whereas the League of Women Voters has money in the League of Women Voters of Honolulu Education Fund, Inc. (LWVHED) and may wish to solicit tax- deductible donations in the future to be deposited into LWVHED or, alternately, the League of Women Voters of the US Education Fund, policies for the use of these funds are proposed. These policies are consistent with guidelines set forth by the National League in accordance with Internal Revenue Service rulings.

1. The use of education funds is limited to educational activities such as voter service, including the publication and distribution of voter guides; educational forums and conferences; and payment of PMP to the League.
2. Consistent with national guidelines, use of education funds for advocacy* of League positions is allowable; lobbying* for specific legislation is not.
3. Activities financed by Education Fund monies shall be clearly designated in internal reports for audit purposes and in publications to acknowledge credit.
4. Education Fund income and expenditures will be identified separately from regular income and expenditures in all financial reports.
5. It is estimated that approximately 25% of the ongoing activities of the LWVHI are educational in nature and eligible for use of education funds.
6. Special projects may be eligible for 100% funding.

*Advocacy and Lobbying

Lobbying consists of communications that are intended to influence specific legislation.

Legislation includes any actions by the general public in a referendum question, initiative position or proposed constitutional amendment.

Advocacy is not considered lobbying if communications are based on nonpartisan analysis, study or research and are widely disseminated and not limited to people who are interested in only one side of the relevant issue.

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