

The League of Women Voters of Lee County Florida  
Proposed Program for Study and Action 2016-17

**Education**

Quality of Schools in Lee County

Support a free high quality public school system for Lee County;

- a. That sets high standards for student achievement
- b. That provides equality of educational opportunity for all;
- c. That recruits and retains faculty and staff of high quality
- d. That is financed adequately and equitable'
- e. That monitors expenditures in the operating budget;
- f. That promotes civics and environmental education;
- g. That ends disparity among individual schools in the Lee County School District.
- h. That provides quality pre-school education for all children;
- i. That provides a safe and healthy environment;
- j. Works cooperatively with the school board and superintendent;
- k. Restricts military from recruiting in the high schools.

**Social Policy**

Support funding, including impact fees that enhances the quality of life.

Promote and collaborate with organizations that seek delivery of essential human services by supporting programs that enhance the well being of individuals.

**Health**

Promote the well being of our citizens by ensuring that they have sufficient opportunities to obtain needed physical and mental health services within an economically viable system. The League supports family planning as an essential component of health care.

The League supports a universal health care system. The League will advocate for more services for low income individuals (clinics and mental health). We also support the early screening for children for autism and expansion of the necessary treatment services.

Continue support of the Lee Memorial Health Care System Trauma Center and Bob Janes Triage Center including initiatives for funding deemed appropriate by the League.

**Natural Resources**

Promote an environment beneficial to life through the protection and wise management of natural resources in the public interest, including perpetuation of Conservation 20/20.

Initiate and support local efforts within our cities and county to improve the environmental quality of our county.

Support environmentally sound policies that reduce energy growth rates, emphasize energy conservation and encourage the use of renewable resources.

**Government**

Review government in Lee County including home rule and fair districting.