



Important Membership Information

LWVUS is switching to a new member portal for all Leagues across the country. There is no action that you need to take right now, but we want to provide you with an overview of what these changes mean for you. On a member level, we hope these changes will make managing your membership easier. On a League level, this is expected to increase membership around the country and increase our ability to empower voters and defend democracy. It will also increase the amount our local league receives from your dues.

When the system launches in February 2025, you will receive an email to log in to the portal and “claim your membership”, but you will not be asked to renew again until a year after your most recent renewal. You will be given the option to sign up to auto-renew annually. When you access the portal, you will be able to update your own information, including contact information, and you will be asked to fill out a short survey. Your personal information will only be used within the League.

When it comes time to renew, you will receive an email reminder. Dues will no longer be a fixed rate but will be pay-what-you-can. The recommended dues amount for all members across the country will be \$75, but members can pay any amount. When paying online the minimum dues rate will be \$20. LWV Duluth members who would like to pay \$0-\$19 should fill out the paper membership form, located on the LWV Duluth home page, and mail it with any payment to Nancy Aldridge at 1000 Almac Dr., Proctor, MN 55810.

There will no longer be a household membership category. However, a member can renew or add a membership for another person, using the sliding fee scale. Each member will need a separate, unique email address.

When you renew, if you would like to make an additional contribution directly to LWV Duluth, this will need to be separate from choosing a higher dues amount and can be done on the page that comes after the due’s payment page.

Recommended payment will be by credit card or ACH (direct transfer from your bank account). The payment is broken into three parts: LWVUS, LWVMN and LWV Duluth. Because of this, it will show up as three separate transactions on your credit card statement or bank account.

If you have questions or concerns about this new system, or need assistance renewing or accessing the portal, please email lwvduluth@lwvmn.org and provide a phone number where we can reach you.

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