VOTING RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS FORUM May 24, 2023

Kitsap County Council for Human Rights & League of Women Voters of Kitsap

Resources

(available online with hyperlinks at the Council for Human Rights website, kcowa.us/hrc)

Local information

- Kitsap County Voter Information, Elected Official Information, Ballot Drop-Box Locations (kcowa.us/elections)
- League of Women Voters at the local, state and national levels maintains websites with links to several sites that aid in finding information about how to register to vote, candidate forums, elected representatives at all levels and election basics
 - League of Women Voters of Kitsap (<u>https://www.lwv-kitsap.org/</u>)
 - League of Women Voters of Washington (<u>lwvwa.org</u>)
 - League of Women Voters National (<u>lwv.org</u>)

State resources

- VoteWA.gov to check voter registration status, update address
- The ACLU of Washington (https://www.aclu-wa.org/voting-rights)
- Washington Voting Justice (https://wavotingjustice.org/)
- Disability Rights Washington (https://www.disabilityrightswa.org/resources/voting/)
- WA State Department of Corrections (https://doc.wa.gov/corrections/community/voting.htm)

Learn more about Voting Rights from

- The ACLU (https://www.aclu.org/issues/voting-rights)
 - Voter Restoration, Improving Ballot Access, Gerrymandering, Combating Voter Suppression, The Voting Rights Act
 - o Infographic
- USA.gov (https://www.usa.gov/voting-and-elections)
 - Presidential Election Process, Inauguration Process, Congressional, State, and Local Elections, Voting and Election Laws

Learn more about everything you need to vote

- To check on candidates and ballot issues, the League of Women Voters recommends:
 - Ballotpedia.org
 - o OnTheIssues.org
 - VoteSmart.org
 - Vote411.org/ballot
- US Election Assistance Commission (https://www.eac.gov/voters/resourcesforvoters)
 - Registering to Vote, Confirming Registration Status, Voter Identification Requirements (by State), Early Voting
- VOTE.org (https://www.vote.org/)
 - Set Election Reminders, Voting my Mail, Check your Registration, Register to Vote, Change Your Address
- VOTE411.org (https://www.vote411.org/)
 - o Find Local Polling Places, Find Upcoming Debates Close By, See What's on Your Ballot
- League of Women Voters Recommended Sites for verification of information:
 - FactCheck.org
 - o FlackCheck.org
 - o PolitiFact.com
 - Snopes.com

The late Representative John Lewis wrote this excellent history of voting rights. Read the article at the National Museum of African American History and Culture website.