



LWW LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF MANATEE COUNTY

ANNUAL REPORT 2025-2026



**Annual Meeting of the
League of Women Voters of Manatee County
Palm Aire County Club
April 25, 2026**

League of Women Voters Mission

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

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Business Agenda

Call to Order: 11:00 a.m.
Required Quorum: 15
Adoption of Agenda
1. The members who have voted shall act as
the entire membership.
2. Statement of position or opinion shall be
limited to three minutes.
3. Any member may ask a question concerning
fact or procedure at any time.

Minutes, 2025 Annual Meeting
Treasurer's Report, 2025-26
Consideration of Budget 2026-27
Consideration of Proposed Bylaws
Consideration of Proposed Local Program
Presentation of Nominating Committee
Presentation of New Board
Recognition of Outgoing Board
Questions and Discussion
Thanks
Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
Of the league of Women Voters of Manatee County
April 26, 2025

Call to Order: Ruth Harenchar called the meeting to order at 11:03 am. The quorum of fifteen was exceeded by the attendance of fifty-nine. Ruth thanked everyone present for their contributions to the League during the year. She asked all the officers, committee members, action team leaders, and the New College liaison to stand and be recognized. Ruth said that the League was doing a raffle for the first time and encouraged everyone to purchase tickets. Finally, she thanked all the sponsors who helped defray the cost of printing the program book.

Ruth called Terri Kondos and Chey Heath up to present an award to outgoing co-President Alice Newlon for “outstanding service.” They presented Alice with a framed enlargement of the back page of the program book, which highlights tributes to Alice from the Board and others, as well as recognizes her many accomplishments.

Ruth gave a power point presentation of the League’s accomplishments in the past year. She briefly highlighted each of the action teams. Ruth thanked Terri Kondos, chair, and her four sub chairs for the many activities of the Voter Services action team, such as Vote411, distribution of thousands of voter guides, candidate forums, tabling at 19 different community events, and monitoring canvassing boards for which the League received \$2,000 grant from All Voting is Local. The Social Issues action team had a transition in leadership to new co-chairs Nina Tortelli and Tina Juillerat. They have hosted Hot Topics on Immigration and Homelessness, including an interview with radio host Tom Walker. The Education Action team has a strong relationship with the superintendent of schools and staff. They monitor school board meetings and publish the observations. They are noted for their nonpartisanship. They have continued to monitor the Horizon Academy charter school for more than a year. The Natural Resources action team also had a leadership transition to Randy Miller. They have had speakers from Habitat for Humanity, Gulf Coast Trails, and the Trust for Public Lands to better understand the issues. Ruth noted that Merrie Lynn Parker has recently been selected to ELMAC. The Government action team also had a leadership transition to Holly Kennedy. The team continues to monitor the Board of County Commissioners, sends out Action Alerts and did two Hot Topics on the Election Recap, and a Conversation with Supervisor of Elections Scott Farrington. The Safety and Gun Violence Protection letter writing efforts last year resulted in a key success in having the school board table a proposal to allow firearms in schools. Due to time constraints Ruth couldn’t highlight all the many activities of the Reproductive Rights team. She did note that Manatee County LWV membership increased 24% in the past year! For the first time, our league is hosting Leadership Training. (Four of the participants in attendance stood for recognition. Finally, Ruth recognized the New College liaison, Alex B who was in attendance with Deb Mazzaferro, who has been working to reestablish a chapter at the college.

Ruth noted three guidelines for the meeting:

- Members present count as official voters.
- Any comments are limited to three minutes.
- Any member can ask a question.

As noted, the quorum of fifteen was established.

Adoption of the Agenda: The motion to accept the agenda was made by Lesley Jacobs and seconded by Susan Michelson Brown. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes of April 25, 2024, Annual Meeting: The minutes were reviewed, and no changes were proposed. The motion to accept the minutes was made by Merrie Lynn Parker and seconded by Alice Newlon. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report 2024-25 and Consideration of Budget 2025-26:

(Budget details were shown on the screen, and several copies were available at each table.)

Ruth explained that the budget reflects the national change in the dues payment process. Previously Manatee County received the dues and then wrote a check to LWVUS. Effective February 1 members join through the LWVUS level and are enrolled in their state. The local chapter only sees the county portion of the dues so less income is reflected. The 25-26 budget reflects that the chapter still must pay for the 24-25 dues owed to LWVUS under the previous system. However, going forward that won't be the case, and to reassure members, Ruth noted that the League does have \$31,000 in the bank.

The budget was reviewed and approved by the Finance Committee and the Board, thus there is no requirement for a motion and second from members. Ruth asked for approval of the budget, and it was approved unanimously.

Consideration of Proposed Bylaws: Dawn Hallsten reviewed all the proposed changes as detailed on the redlined copy that was posted on the LWVMC website prior to the meeting. Dawn noted the two changes proposed by the committee:

- Article IV, Board of Directors, Section 1 increases the number of LWVMC members elected from 3 to 4 directors elected in even-numbered years and from 3 to 4 elected in odd-numbered years; and not more than eight directors appointed by elected members of the board.
- Article VI, Financial Administration, Section 2 reflects the changes in the dues process that went into effect in February 2025.

Dawn thanked Ruth and Mary Collins for their work on the bylaws. The proposed Bylaws were approved by the Board of the LWVMC.

Ruth asked for a vote by the membership to approve the proposed Bylaws and it carried unanimously.

Consideration of Proposed Local Program: Ruth noted that the Local Program was posted prior to the meeting. There were no questions. The motion to approve was made by Lyle Landon and seconded by Randy Miller. The vote to continue the Local Program was unanimous.

Presentation of Nominating Committee Report: Dawn Hallsten presented the slate of candidates on behalf of Elaine Graham. The slate of new 2025 nominees for Officers, Board Members, and Nominating Committee members.

Officers (Two Year term)

President- Ruth Harenchar

Co-Vice President – Terri Kondos

Co-Vice President – Dawn Hallsten

Board Members Class of 2025-2027 (Two-year term)

Lucia Callaway

Holly Kennedy

Merrie Lynn Parker

Nominating Committee - Two non-board members elected including Chair (one year term)

Chair – Position to be filled.

Member – Ruth Lawler

There were no nominations on the floor. The motion to approve the slate was made by Lesley Jacobs and seconded by Nina Tortelli. The candidates were elected by a unanimous vote.

Presentation of New Board:

In addition to the newly elected members, the following are continuing Board members:

Continuing in second of two-year terms on the Board:

Secretary – Coleen Friedman

Treasurer – Mary Collins

Board member(e)-Felecia Jett

Board member(e) – Lyle Landon

Board member (e)- Jacquie McNeil

Board member (a) -Barbara Ehren

Board member (a) – Tina Juillerat

To be appointed in May Board meeting (One Year Term from 2025-2026) – Alice Newlon

To be appointed in May Board Meeting (Two Year Term from 2025-2027)

Board member – Randy Miller

Board members – Nina Tortelli

Nominating Committee (one year term) appointed in May Board meeting – Lyle Landon

Recognition of Outgoing Board: Ruth recognized outgoing members Ginger McCallum and Alice Newlon for their contributions.

Presidential Recognition Award: Last year Ruth and Alice wanted to create an award for an outgoing Board member who had served with exceptional distinction. This year's recipient is Ginger McCallum, past Chair of the Government action team. Ginger recently moved back to her home state.

Special Recognition for Alice Newlon:

Ruth called Randy Miller and Merrie Lynn Parker to present an addition recognition to outgoing co-president Alice Newlon. Randy highlighted Alice's enthusiastic imprint on every aspect of the LWVMC and noted that she is remarkable for bringing in new people, including himself. Merrie Lynn said it was an honor to present a special plaque to Alice. In her acceptance remarks, Alice said that when she joined the League, she said to herself, "I found my people."

Questions and discussion were waived due to time constraints.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Alice Newlon and seconded by Dawn Hallsten. Ruth adjourned the meeting at 11:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Coleen Friedman, Secretary

2026 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

2026 Slate of Nominees for Election

Officers (Two Year Term)

Secretary – Vacancy
Treasurer – Randy Miller

Board Member Class of 25-27 (One Year Term from 2026-2027 – filling vacancy)

1. Alice Newlon

Board Members Class of 2026-2028 [4 may be elected at Annual Meeting & 4 may be appointed by board.]

1. Felecia Jett
2. Jaquie McNeil
3. Mary Collins
4. Linda Long

Nominating Committee - Two non-Board members elected including the Chair (One Year Term)

- Non-Board Members (two positions from membership not board – one of whom is Chair)
- 1. Chair - Jessica Collins
 2. Member – Ruth Lawler

Approved by Nominating Committee on February 27, 2026

Jessica Collins, Chair
Lyle Landon, Member
Ruth Lawler, Member

We thank these former officers and board members for their service.

Mary Collins, service as Treasurer
Coleen Friedman, service as Secretary
Barbara Ehren, service as Board Member
Lynn Griffin, service as Board Member
Tina Juillerat, service as Board Member
Randy Miller, service as Board Member

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Unite and Rise 8.5: An Initiative to Defend Democracy

In April 2025 LWVUS declared that our nation was in a constitutional crisis. On May 1st last year, LWVUS launched a new initiative to address and counter that crisis: **Unite and Rise 8.5: An Initiative to Defend Democracy**. I am proud to say LWV Manatee staunchly participated in the Unite and Rise initiative throughout the last year as League warriors defending democracy.

We began by creating our great Lady Liberty yard sign – with Alice Newlon as the driving force of its success. Our Communication Committee developed a memorable design that clearly captured and shared our message: **Uphold our Constitution and the Rule of Law**. A crew of volunteers distributed yard signs to people who requested them as the Communication Committee made people aware the signs were available. The video on Facebook of three of our members putting the Lady Liberty sign in their own yards was memorable. All this was done in time for the first No Kings Day protest on June 14th.

We had multiple accomplishments throughout August and September:

- Awarded Proclamation by Manatee County Board of County Commissioners in recognition of Women's Equality Day.
- Women's Equality Breakfast event hosted by Women's Resource Network (WRC); VP Terri Kondos was the LWVMC representative on the panel that included speakers from LWV Sarasota, FUNeducation, and Through Women's Eyes.
- Meeting with FL Representative Bill Conerly.
- Two different presentations by Terri Kondos at multiple Manatee public libraries over two different weeks.
- Meeting with Manatee Supervisor of Elections, Scott Farrington.

November 1st brought a new milestone to LWV Manatee: hosting a **Unite and Rise for Democracy Rally** at Riverwalk Pavillion, Rossi Park. Chey Heath, as Project Manager, organized the multitude of logistics and volunteers. This uniquely festive pro-democracy outdoor event included:

- 18 booths for nonpartisan community partners;
- DJ;
- Three dynamic speakers – Oscar Portillo-Meza, Michelle Grimsley Shindano, and Jessica Lowe-Minor;
- Lady Liberty (i.e., Terri Kondos) as MC;
- Live music;
- Two food trucks;
- Military veterans color guard;
- METV professionally videotaping the program plus interviews with LWV Manatee leaders, community partners, and attendees.

We followed our first rally with a second one in February – LWV Manatee and LWV Sarasota held a joint rally on the League of Women Voters 106th Birthday. Our Lady Liberty sign continued in prominent display along with printed banners and a host of other fun signs proudly supporting democracy. This was a great way to celebrate the birth of the League and defend democracy.

Our big event in March was an exclusive tour of the Manatee Supervisor of Elections (SOE) office. Our group of LWV Manatee members and guests was the largest group the SOE had brought through to tour their office. It was an in-depth, insightful educational experience for all who attended.

The usual solid framework of the Manatee League's work throughout the year buttressed and maintained our commitment to the **Unite and Rise 8.5** initiative. Joining our defense of democracy were our numerous regular activities and volunteers such as Action Team and Committee meetings, presentations and numerous communications; Hot Topics with outstanding speakers; Board of County Commissioner Meeting Notes; School Board Meeting Notes; bi-monthly coffees; tabling at many events; and activities with our community partners. We also had two wonderful Meet & Greet evenings hosted in the homes of two of our members.

I am extremely pleased to announce another major milestone for LWV Manatee this year – we were successful in changing our tax status and are now a tax-deductible 501(c)3 organization. This change in tax status provides us with a more flexible financial foundation for our League which will benefit our organization for years to come. Huge kudos to Randy Miller for his work in leading this effort. Grateful thanks to Mary Collins (our Treasurer) and Alice Newlon (past President) for their steadfast attention to detail and proper preservation of documentation that made the transition possible.

Warriors need to celebrate their victories. Please use the time of the Annual Meeting to celebrate the achievements of the past year. Please relish the accomplishments highlighted in this Annual Report. Please use this event to charge up and be ready to tackle the challenges of the coming year.

Please know that I deeply appreciate your support and participation. The League has an important voice and every one of you makes that voice stronger. Thank you so much!

In League,

Ruth Harenchar

President LWVMC



TREASURER'S REPORT

League of Women Voters - Manatee County
Balance Sheet
March 31, 2025

ASSETS

Regions Bank	\$ 36,925
Prepaid Expenses	300
Investments	15,741
Education Funds Held by LWVFL	<u>1,300</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 54,266</u></u>

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities	
Funds Held for Others	\$ 1,242
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	18,672
Unrestricted Net Assets	23,143
Net Income	<u>11,209</u>
Total Equity	<u>53,024</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 54,266</u></u>

League of Women Voters - Manatee County
Statement of Income and Expenses
Year Ending March 31, 2025

Income	
Dues	\$ 16,530
Contributions	6,171
Contributions to Education Fund	1,300
Education Fund Grant	2,000
Other Grants	2,000
Annual Meeting	2,815
Interest Income	741
In-Kind Donations	118
Total Income	<u>31,675</u>
Expense	
Voter Services	
Voters Guide	1,878
Voters Services - Other	2,238
Total Voter Services	<u>4,116</u>
Financial Support for the League	
PMP National	5,872
PMP State	2,719
Total Financial Support for the League	<u>8,591</u>
Delegates and Travel	
National Convention	550
State Meetings	125
Annual Meeting	1,771
Other Meetings	240
Total Delegates and Travel	<u>2,686</u>
Outreach	
Public Relations	250
Website	956
Youth Outreach	278
Total Outreach	<u>1,484</u>
Operations	
Supplies	420
Telephone	627
Post Office Box	217
Postage and Shipping	171
Licenses and Fees	61
Rental Expense	658
Stipend	720
Total Operations	<u>2,874</u>
Bank and Credit Card Processing Fees	715
Total Expense	<u>20,466</u>
Net Income	<u><u>\$ 11,209</u></u>

League of Women Voters of Manatee County
Proposed Budget
April 2025 through March 2026

Income		
Dues	\$	4,500
Contributions		3,000
Advertising Income		500
Annual Meeting		3,000
Interest Income		750
Total Income		<u>11,750</u>
Expense		
Voter Services		
Voters Guide		150
Other Voters Services Expenses		1,500
Total Voter Services		<u>1,650</u>
Financial Support for the League		
PMP National		9,700
PMP State		4,500
Total Financial Support for the League		<u>14,200</u>
Delegates, Travel and Other Meetings		
State Meetings		1,200
Annual Meeting		3,000
Other Meetings		250
Total Delegates, Travel and Other Meetings		<u>4,450</u>
Outreach		
Public Relations		500
Website		1,000
Youth Outreach		1,700
Special Events		100
Total Outreach		<u>3,300</u>
Operations		
Supplies		300
Telephone		600
Post Office Box		250
Postage and Shipping		50
Licenses and Fees		100
Rental Expense		600
Total Operations		<u>1,900</u>
Bank and Credit Card Processing Fees		450
Total Expense		<u>25,950</u>
Net Income	\$	<u><u>(14,200)</u></u>

Note: Up until 1/31/25 the dues we collected were for local, state and national memberships. We would then make Per Member Payments to LWVUS and LWVFL at a set dollar amount per member which was based on our active membership as of 1/31 of each year. These PMP were paid in the following year. The \$14,200 in the above budget is for members at 1/31/25. Going forward, we will only be receiving dues for our local chapter and will no longer make PMP.

2026 - 2027 Proposed Local Program League of Women Voters of Manatee County

VOTER SERVICES

Voting Rights

- Expanding Voter Access
 - Increase voters' access to the polls, including expanding early voting, Vote-by-Mail and automatic and online voter registration.
- Money in Politics
 - Advocating for Financial Transparency and Ethics.
- Redistricting – People Powered Fair Maps.
- Fighting Voter Suppression.

Elections/Improving Elections

- Increasing voter registration
 - Conduct voter registration drives and encourage citizens to register.
 - Engage and support Returning Citizens in registering.
 - Engage and support Disable Citizens in registering.
 - Engage and support Youth in registering.
- Educating Voters
 - Empower voters with VOTE411, providing trustworthy, nonpartisan information about local elections, including voter guides, candidate information, polling rules and locations.
 - Distribute Voter Guides and provide website information during elections.
 - Inform voters by holding or collaborating in holding Candidate Forums.
 - Provide the Citizen's Guide to Elected Official on our League's website.
 - Sponsor programs to educate the public about government and elections.

EDUCATION

- Promote adequate funding, exemplary instructional practices, and wide range of support services for students in Manatee County's public schools, that result in grade-level literacy and other indicators of improved student outcomes.
- Monitor and encourage citizen engagement in matters of Manatee District School Board's governance.
- Convene programs on educational issues and take part in collaborative efforts.
- Monitor the impact of state legislation on teaching and learning locally.
- Analyze prospective legislation that would impact the quality of teaching and learning in Manatee and recommend appropriate action.

GOVERNMENT

- Familiarize citizens with the workings of local Manatee County and Florida state government and encourage participation.
- Promote ethics in local government.
- Promote transparency, good governance practices, and adherence to Florida State Sunshine Laws.
- Encourage government decisions that avoid negative impacts of residential and commercial growth on existing neighborhoods, infrastructure and the environment.
- Promote citizen participation through elected office.

- Support local criminal justice reform and common-sense gun safety measures.
- Encourage local action to prevent and prosecute human trafficking.
- Collaborate with LWV Manatee Action Teams to monitor and share information in pending legislation that impacts our 2025 priority areas of interest.

Support and Promote National Popular Vote (NPV) Interstate Compact

- Educate voters by presentation on Zoom and in-person.
- Educate Legislators in-person, at delegation meetings, and in Tallahassee.
- Lobby Legislators to support NPV.
- File a House and Senate Bill through a legislator.
- Solicit multiple co-sponsors.

NATURAL RESOURCES

- Promote protection for Manatee County's ecosystems and natural resources.
- Conduct educational programs and advocate to address climate change and other environmental issues.
- Encourage conservation land acquisition in Manatee County. Monitor implementation of the successful County referendum and efforts for a future similar referendum.
- Encourage the local use of clean energy, energy conservation, and carbon neutrality.
- Participate in environmental collaborations and Florida LWV initiatives.

REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

- Conduct educational programs on health care issues addressing reproductive health care.
- Support health care affordability and availability for low-income and other uninsured citizens.
- Promote citizen awareness of available local resources for health care services.
- Encourage legislative and local initiatives to improve access to reproductive and maternal health services
- Collaborate with the Florida LWV, other LWV of Manatee County Action Teams and local community organizations to share information and support activities to advance reproductive health care in our county and the state.

SOCIAL ISSUES

- Provide education and encourage legislative and local initiatives to help children and families and older adults.
- Support solutions that ensure a strong and stable pathway to affordable housing and dynamic support services and structures that provide options instead of obstacles to community members who are experiencing poverty or homelessness.
- Support rehabilitation programs for drug and alcohol abuse.
- Encourage and support sound local policies for immigrants in the community.

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI)

- Promote a philosophy of inclusion that reflects the diverse composition of the community.
- Support equal rights for all citizens in our community and actively seek the voices of residents and their needs.
- Hold or participate in local programs that provide education on bias and promote a healing in the community.

ACTION TEAM AND COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORTS



VOTER SERVICES

The 2025-2026 Voter Services Action Team Accomplishments:

- Continued to raise awareness of the requirement to renew Vote-By-Mail requests, especially in the senior citizen population. On a monthly basis, closely tracked changes in Manatee County Vote-By-Mail requests with the Supervisor of Elections staff.
- Tabled offering voting registration and assistance at 11 community events, including multiple events sponsored by black churches in the county.
- Supported “Indivisible” with voter registration and education tabling at community events focusing on “Freedom of Speech,” “The Right to Vote,” and “Immigration.”
- Found new opportunities to present LWV “Career and Volunteer Opportunities” events at county high schools resulting in multiple students becoming active volunteers in our Communications Corps, producing social media content and posts.
- Supported LWV’s national partnership with LUSH by holding four days of tabling at the LUSH store in the University Town Center, offering voter registration/education materials.
- Assisted young adults in county high schools by tabling for two days at Manatee School of the Arts High School. Presented information to persuade young voters to vote, including economic and demographic information and voting trends. Gave the students a presentation on the 2024 State Constitutional Amendments and then asked them to participate in a mock vote, comparing their votes to other high schools and to the actual county voting population. Supported students with voter pre-registration with both tablets and paper forms and postage paid envelopes.
- Inspired students at Braden River High School to open their own school club as a high school chapter of The League of Women Voters. Supported them in filing a set of by-laws and other required documents to their school administration. Provided training to the high school club members in voter services and voter registration requirements. Partnered with the students to hold a Voter Registration event “Pirates to the Polls” during which we gave the students a presentation on the 2024 State Constitutional Amendments and then asked them to participate in a mock vote, comparing their votes to other high schools and to the actual county voting population. Supported students with voter pre-registration with both tablets and paper forms and postage paid envelopes.
- Celebrated Women’s Equality Day on August 26th by launching a collaboration with LWV Sarasota and the Women’s Resource Center to host a breakfast and panel of four community leaders discussing the state of Women’s Equality and promoted action. Supported this event with a series of OPEDs in local newspapers and engagement with a Florida State Representative.
- For National Voter Registration Week, gave presentations at four county libraries on the “The Balance of Power,” detailing the specific ways in which our founding fathers sought to ensure checks and balances in our branches of government, how that balance is carried out today, and the challenges to the construct including examples of executive branch overreach.
- Educated voters and community leaders about the process by which Florida introduces amendments to the state constitution and about current threats to voter’s voices and ongoing disenfranchisement at the “Divine Nine” Council Conference in August 2025.

- Reached outside of our county to support voters in DeSoto County at a “DeSoto County Ahead Update” sponsored and hosted by the Patterson Foundation. Produced DeSoto county-specific voting and elections materials and generated Spanish language flyers and Vote411 brochures.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



The 2025-2026 Leadership Development Accomplishments:

- LWV Manatee County completed its first-ever League Empowerment/Leadership Program (LELP), with four members successfully completing the program.
- LWV Manatee supported neighboring LWV Sarasota County with its Empowerment/Leadership Program by providing presentations twice on the State League (LWVFL), its structure, its operations, and its legislative priorities.



SOCIAL ISSUES

The 2025-2026 Social Issues Action Team Accomplishments:

The Team's focus areas for the year included Immigration, Homelessness/ Affordable Housing, and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

Immigration

- Expanded team's understanding of issues facing our immigrant communities through shared resources on immigration status and rights.
- Encouraged members to advocate through "5 Calls", to distribute "Know Your Rights" Red cards, and to utilize the "Protect Immigrants Call to Action" suggestions provided to members.
- Team members monitored the changing local and state immigration policies and events.
- Participated in collaborative community events and activities advocating for immigrant rights and compassionate policies.
- Developed a relationship with The Immigration Justice Coalition of Southwest Florida (IJCSWF), and the LWVMC officially joined the Coalition Feb. 23, 2026.

Affordable Housing & Homelessness

- Hosted presentation of United Way Suncoast 2025 ALICE Report on regional affordability challenges.
- Continued to strengthen relationships with community leaders by attending Manatee County PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) and Sarasota/Manatee Continuum of Care meetings.
- Mobilized members to write federal and state officials to advocate for continued funding of critical homelessness and housing programs
- Met with County and City of Bradenton leaders to understand and provide input for current initiatives

- Gained deeper understanding of needs/challenges for people experiencing homelessness by serving as volunteers in the Manatee County Homeless Census and the opening of the new Under One Roof Women's Shelter.
- Continued observing (and making public comments) for homelessness and affordable housing policy agenda items at Manatee County Board of County Commissioners Meetings.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- Members attended the *Embracing Our Differences* Exhibit at Bayfront Park, Sarasota March 2025.
- Reviewed the LWV Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Policy and resources for continued learning and implementation.



EDUCATION ISSUES

The 2025-2026 Education Issues Action Team Accomplishments:

- School Board Observers continue to provide reports to School Board members and the Superintendent after each general meeting. These reports summarize key discussions, offer feedback on governance and adherence to Sunshine Laws, and are published in The Bradenton Times, Fogartyville's Critical Times Week in Review, and the Education Matters in Manatee County Facebook page. Unsolicited remarks from community members about how helpful these notes are keep the dedicated corps motivated.
- In partnership with the Manatee County NAACP, the Action Team continues to follow up on recommendations from their inquiry into Horizons Academy Main Campus. Regular meetings with the Superintendent and District Staff provide ongoing opportunities to monitor the district's progress in addressing these recommendations even as district leadership changes over time.
- In response to a School Board Member's push to ban proclamations at board meetings, Action Team members drafted advocacy documents outlining the importance of proclamations. As a result, the School Board adopted a new policy allowing proclamations. After a year of their new policy, the issue of whether to have proclamations continues with updates to our advocacy document and public comments to the School Board.
- The Action Team continues to monitor the district's book banning policies and their impact on classrooms and libraries following recent legislation. Advocacy documents prepared by the team are available on the LWV Manatee County website. Additionally, District Staff and Florida Freedom to Read representatives frequently attend monthly meetings to provide updates.
- Members are organized to track the effects of Project 2025, presidential executive orders, and legislative actions at the state and federal levels on local public schools. Currently the team is analyzing the intentions and implications of the Phoenix Declaration, approved by the Florida Board of Education.
- Members of the Action Team are participating in the community advisory group for the School District's new Strategic Plan.
- The Action Team Chair serves on the METV Board of Directors as the League of Women Voters of Manatee County representative and is currently the Vice-Chair.



NATURAL RESOURCES

The 2025-2026 Natural Resources Action Team Accomplishments:

- Learned from a variety of experts about our area's natural resources including:
 - Solar Energy on Florida's Gulf Coast with Julia Herbst of Solar United Neighbors
 - Environmental Advocacy with the Sierra Club of Florida with Cris Costello
 - Environmental Justice in Manatee County? Tallevast's Toxic Groundwater with leaders in the Tallevast community. This program and discussion resulted in increased media coverage of their decades-long efforts to remediate dangerous contaminants in the ground generated by a closed industrial plant.
 - Micro Plastic - Macro Impact with Nick Chartres and Abena BakenRa of the University of California San Francisco
 - Climate and Biodiversity with Bob Bunting of the Climate Adaptation Center
 - Plastic Free Cities with Maggie Winchester-Weiler of The Ocean Conservancy
- In-person meeting held to watch and then discuss the 2025 Al Gore TED Talk from the June 2025 Kenya Climate Summit entitled "Why Climate Action Is Unstoppable - Climate Realism Is a Myth."
- Monitored Ran Hot Topics - Resiliency & Vulnerability Assessment presented by Nina Venter and Nick Chiavini of the Sarasota Manatee MPO
- Monitored the implementation of the successful 2020 Manatee County Water and Land Referendum by ELMAC and the BOCC. Met with Kara Koenig, Manatee County Environmental Lands Manager.
- Issued action alerts to Natural Resources Action Team members on several critical legislative environmental issues requiring prompt action.
- Continued to coordinate and advocate with other local and statewide environmentalists and groups.
- Advocated in support of LWVFL natural resource positions on proposed legislation.



GOVERNMENT

The 2025-2026 Government Action Team Accomplishments:

- Major role in creating and promoting the first LWV Unite and Rise community event in Manatee County.
- Produced summaries of items of interest and evaluated the Board's action in compliance with Good Governance guidelines and the Sunshine law, for every regular Manatee Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) regular meeting. They are distributed to all LWVMC followers and published in the Bradenton Times electronic newspaper.
- Advocated for good governance behaviors.
- Produced Action Alerts for legislative issues for Federal, State and Manatee County.
- Alerted other Action Teams and partner non-profit organizations of issues on the BoCC agenda impacting their areas.
- Encouraged public participation in town hall meetings
- Arranged two Hot Topics "Voter Empowerment" and "Expanding Voter Access".

- Arranged a tour of the Supervisor of Elections Office.
- Petitioned for a proclamation in recognition of Women's Equality Day on August 19, 2025. Proclamation was presented by the late Commissioner Felts and accepted by President Ruth Harenchar.
- Govt. Action Team monthly meeting focused on updating members about pending county, state and national legislation and educate members on the advocacy positions of LWVFL on important League issues, including reproductive rights, voting rights and redistricting.

Safety & Gun Violence Prevention

- Continued to keep abreast of local, state and federal gun violence prevention legislation and policy changes, and limited our tabling events.
- We continue to have a supply of gun locks for community organizations upon request.



REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

The 2025-2026 Reproductive Rights Action Team Accomplishments:

- Rallied members to engage with their state legislators in a successful effort with other organizations that killed passage of several bills that were introduced to hinder access to reproductive care and scientific-based medical information.
- Hosted webinars that examined the ability of young people to access sex education and the information they need to make healthy and informed choices; that discussed Mis-Conceptions: The Moment of Conception in Religion, Science, and Law; and that delved into state funding of faux medical clinics in Florida, known as crisis pregnancy centers.
- Participated in a state-wide campaign to defund crisis pregnancy centers.
- Spoke about Florida's political landscape when it comes to reproductive rights at an Equality Day breakfast co-hosted by the LWV of Manatee and Sarasota counties and the Women's Resource Center.
- Produced regular email alerts that shared both news articles about reproductive healthcare in Florida and calls to action by the League and other organizations concerned about reproductive rights.



MEMBERSHIP

The 2025-2026 Membership Committee Accomplishments:

- Managed through the transition of LWWUS assuming administration of all members. Responsibilities continue to evolve with key learnings around the new process. Current membership as of April 2026 is 249.
- Maintained working relationships with local and state leagues.
- Worked closely with Board members by participating in programs that enhance the relationship with our members.
- Supported action teams with their programs and goals.

- Attended virtual monthly meetings with Membership Committee Chairs throughout FL to share best practices and key learnings.
- Established an in-person quarterly membership meeting based on the success of the meeting held in December 2025. Membership meetings will be held in various areas of the County. The Q1 2026 meeting was held in West Manatee.
- Held one group outing to support membership arts enrichment. The group attended the play, *Althea & Angela*, about the first female doubles tennis team of an African American and Jewish British woman who won Wimbledon, after being shunned by their countrywomen because of their race and religion.
- Held twice monthly Defending Democracy Coffees (September – March), one in west Manatee and one in east Manatee, addressing various topics and actions.
- Worked to maintain community outreach with various organizations within the County, such Unidos Now, and Manatee Performing Arts.
- Coordinated and managed the 2025 Annual Meeting.



COMMUNICATIONS

The 2025-2026 Communications Committee Accomplishments:

Social Media Presence

- Developed and maintained an active, engaging social media presence for the League of Women Voters of Manatee County (LWVMC) across Facebook and Instagram platforms.
- Created a consistent posting schedule
- Developed platform-appropriate content
- Grew follower engagement
- Ensured that messaging aligns with the League's mission and values.
- Used social media as a key tool for outreach, event promotion, and civic education within the community.

Publications Standards

- Ensured that all LWVMC publications adhered to the standards and style guidelines established by LWV US
- Maintained consistency in branding, tone, and messaging across all print and digital materials.
- Performed periodic review of templates, logos, fonts, and language to ensure alignment with national League identity and communications best practices.

Content Production & Publishing

- Produced and published a full range of communications materials to keep members and the public informed and engaged including:
 - Monthly Manatee Voter Newsletter – solicited content, designed, and distributed the monthly newsletter featuring timely articles on local civic issues, League activities, member spotlights, and upcoming events.
 - Event Notices – Created and distributed timely announcements for all League-sponsored events, meetings, and programs through appropriate channels and platforms
 - Action Alerts – Drafted and disseminated urgent calls to action on legislative or civic matters, ensuring members have the information needed to engage effectively and promptly.

- Flyers for Special Events – Designed visually compelling, print- and digital-ready flyers to promote special League events, voter registration drives, candidate forums, and community outreach initiatives.

Event Photography

- Provided dedicated photography coverage at LWVMC events to document League activities, capture community engagement, and supply high-quality images for use across newsletters, social media, the website, and organizational archives.
- Provided consistent visual documentation to help tell the League's story and strengthen its public profile.

Student Mentorship & Skill Development

- Actively recruited and mentored students' involvement in LWVMC communications efforts
- Provided hands-on experience in graphic design, journalism, photography, and digital media.
- This initiative enriched the League's communications capacity with fresh perspectives and energy, while equipping students with practical, resume-building skills in a real-world civic environment.
- Guided students through projects with increasing responsibility, fostering both personal growth and a deeper connection to civic engagement.



COLLEGE LIAISON and National Popular Vote (NPV)

The 2025-2026 College Liaison and NPV Accomplishments:

- Keeping in touch with Syria paid off in March 2025 when she invited me to meet a handful of New College students who were interested in the LWV chapter there.
- Alex Levy stepped up to be the chapter president in April 2025 and attended the LWV MC annual meeting as an opportunity to meet other members.
- LWV Manatee participated in Novopalooza 2025 and gathered names of interested students.
- Over the next few months, we had three on-campus meetings where we discussed voting reforms and a vision for the on-campus chapter.
- I joined the LWV FL Young Adult calls to learn what other Leagues were doing and to be a responsible steward of the grant money. Alex filed monthly reports.
- Alex and I had a Zoom meeting with David Rancourt, Vice Provost and VP of Enrollment to discuss opportunities for the chapter to integrate into campus life more fully.
- In December, Fabianna Klemczak and Deb attended a holiday party with LWV MC members.

NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE (NPV)

- Deb Mazzaferro, Co-founder of Floridians for NPV, joined LWV Manatee after moving from St Petersburg FL where she became a LWV FL subject matter expert in NPV.
- Floridians for NPV hosted a workshop, a caucus and a dinner in Orlando at the LWV Florida convention in June.
- In 2025, NPV interstate compact was filed in the Florida House and Senate with 21 co-sponsors (for the 2026 legislative session that started in January 2026).
- NPV staffed a booth at the LWV MC Unite and Rise for Democracy event.
- Deb attended the LWV FL event at Allendale Methodist Church in St Pete.
- Deb spoke at Manatee and Sarasota legislative delegations prior to the 2026 Florida Legislative session.

UNITE AND RISE 8.5 INITIATIVE



A major focus of this year's outreach efforts has been participation in the national Unite and Rise 8.5 initiative, launched in May 2025 and running through the 2026 midterm elections as part of the broader Women Defend Democracy campaign of LWVUS. The campaign aims to mobilize 8.5 million voters, using civic engagement as a cornerstone of democracy, and calls on all Americans – regardless of how they voted in 2024 – to come together, stand united, and fight back to protect democratic institutions.

The 2025-2026 Unite and Rise 8.5 Accomplishments:

- Ensured that all local Unite and Rise activities aligned with the playbooks and guidelines established by LWV US, maintaining consistency with the national campaign's messaging, branding, and strategic goals.
- Launched a yard sign campaign to bring the initiative into the community in a visible and tangible way. "Uphold Our Constitution and the Rule of Law" yard signs were made available to community members, with a coordinated debut on June 14th – chosen because many other organizations designated that date as a nationwide day of protest and rallies in support of democracy, titled "No Kings." The Communications team was responsible for designing the signs in accordance with League standards and coordinating distribution logistics, ensuring signs were accessible to community members ahead of the launch date.
- Planned and executed the Unite & Rise for Democracy Rally, held on November 1st from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Riverwalk Pavilion, Rossi Park in Bradenton. The rally aimed to bring the community together to honor constitutional values, highlight grassroots efforts, and provide actionable resources to help participants uphold the rule of law and engage in the democratic process.
 - The event brought together a remarkable coalition of community voices, featuring inspirational speakers and representatives from a wide range of nonpartisan civic organizations. Speakers included Oscar Portillo-Meza, Michelle Grimsley Shindano, and Jessica Lowe-Minor, a passionate voting rights advocate who serves on the LWVUS Board of Directors and as President of the League of Women Voters of Florida.
 - Community organization booths represented a broad cross-section of civic life, including the League of Women Voters of Manatee County, League of Women Voters of Sarasota County, Florida Veterans for Common Sense, Floridians for National Popular Vote, Manatee County NAACP, Reflections of Manatee, Unitarian Universalists of Sarasota Justice Seekers, Social Equity through Education (SEE) Alliance, Manasota Digital Democracy Project, Open Primaries, Rank My Vote, the Bradenton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., Stronger Together Reaching Equity Across Manatee (STREAM), Manatee Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Social Justice, and Indivisible Manatee Sarasota.
 - The Communications team played a key role in promoting the event throughout the planning and lead-up period, producing flyers, social media content, event notices, and outreach materials to maximize community awareness and attendance.

LWV of MANATEE COUNTY HOT TOPICS and SPECIAL PROGRAMS
April 2025 through March 2026

April	Florida Freedom to Read Project
April	Solar Energy on Florida's Gulf Coast
April	Mis-Conceptions: The Moment of Conception in Religion, Science and Law
May	Supreme Court Reform
May	2025 Florida Legislature Session Recap
June	Funding for Homelessness Initiatives
June	LWVFL Convention Recap
July	2025 ALICE Report (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed)
September	Expand Voter Access
September	Environmental Justice in Manatee County? The Story of Tallevast
October	The 2025-26 Florida Budget Overview Impact on Funding of Education
October	Microplastics, Macro Impact: Tackling the Microplastics Crisis
November	Unite and Rise for Democracy Rally
November	Child Marriage in Florida
November	A Bill to Abolish State Funded 'Faux Medical Clinics'
November	State Mandated Resiliency Instruction: Wellness Wednesdays
November	Why Climate Action Is Unstoppable and "Climate Realism" is a Myth
December	Rally in Tally - No to Mid-Cycle Redistricting
January	Storm Surge, Flooding & Wildfires: Are We Ready? The Future of Transportation Resiliency in Manatee County
January	The Right to Vote: Understanding the New Rules
February	Defending Democracy Rally
February	The Future of Investigative Journalism
February	Climate and Biodiversity
March	Voter Empowerment
March	Tour of the Manatee County Supervisor of Elections Office
March	Social Equity through Education
March	Plastic Free Cities

Our hot topics this year remain top quality, thought provoking and relevant. The speakers are the experts on that topic.

There were fun occasions and celebrations as well. Our quarterly Meet & Greet is a chance for members and prospective members to learn more about the league, committee goals and projects and have some fun at the same time. Our twice a month coffees have offered companionship, lively conversation and have been inspiring.

Our league also highlights and promotes programs that are offered by LWV of Florida, partner organizations and programs from other respected organizations. Many of the above programs can be found on our web site at <https://lwvmanatee.org/videos/> or the LWVMC YouTube channel.

Our League also has provided many presentations for other organizations such as Rotary, political organizations, schools, and senior communities. These programs range from election information to topics of interest and importance.

RECORD OF LOCAL POSITIONS OF THE LWV of MANATEE COUNTY

Local Government: (1) Support for the county charter form of government with structures, procedures and practices that are characterized by accountability, community representation, decision-making capabilities, and effective performance, 1985. (2) Independent special taxing districts as exemplified by the fire control districts, functioning in the manner described by Special Act, do provide a satisfactory delivery of service to the citizens of Manatee County, 1988. (3) Support for additional court facilities for the safe and secure administration of justice, 2000. (4) Support for the five-cent increase in the local gasoline tax, 2006. (5) Supported the half cent sales tax for county infrastructure, 2016. (6) Supported Land and Water referendum 2020. (7) Support 100% application of impact fees, 2021 (8) Withdrew support of charter government until state permits a higher threshold of 50% to change charter provisions, 2021. (9) Opposed authorization of concealed gun carry at work for Manatee County employees, 2023

Family Law Court: (1) Support Family Law Court which should include the establishment of a single jurisdiction over all legal matters pertaining to family life, including delinquency, neglect, child support, adoptions, child custody, paternity actions, dissolutions, annulments, and intra-family assault. This position is based on state and local League positions.

Health: (1) Support for the remaining criteria for agreement between the county and the buyer of Manatee Memorial Hospital which are: (a) a formal indigent care screening and certification process, mutually agreed on by the hospital and the county, to be updated when necessary, and to be used as a basis to pay for indigent care provided by the hospital; (b) the hospital will receive payments from an indigent care fund, established and administered by the county, with assets from funds created by sale of the hospital and/or annual debt service payment, December 14, 1982. (c) Supported the use of 25 % of the interest set aside from the sale of the hospital for health care of Manatee residents, 1984. (2) Support FCAN's educational programs on the Medicare prescription drug program, 2004. (3) Supported a half-cent county sales tax to fund indigent care, 2013. (4) Supported declaration of racism as a public health emergency, 2020.

Education: (1) Supported family life education curriculum K-12 in the Manatee schools, 1977. (2) Supported a half-cent sales tax for schools, 1999. (3) Supported Florida's education plan "Blueprint 2000," which includes the full-service school concept. (4) Opposed vouchers for private schools, 2000. (5) Opposed the elimination of continuing contracts at the State College of Florida Manatee-Sarasota, 2015-16 (6) Supported the continuation of the half-cent sales tax for schools, 2016 and 2022.

Natural Resources and Growth Management: (1) Supported protective but equitable regulations for control of air and water pollution and resource extraction in Manatee County, 1966. (2) Opposed mining in the drinking water watersheds or development in the wetlands of Terra Ceia, 1973. (3) Supported solid waste - mandatory garbage pickup, 1972. (4) Opposed weakening of comprehensive plan or land use codes protective of wetlands, 1984, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013. (5) Support growth paying for itself through impact fees, as nearly as is legally defensible, 1986. (6) Support Sarasota League technical criteria for managing water resources in SWFWMD, 1993. (7) Opposed the use of Orimulsion as a fuel for electricity generation, 1995. (8) Supported a sales tax to purchase environmentally sensitive land, 2003. (9) Supported the proposed designation of the entire length of the Myakka River as "Wild and Scenic," 2007. (10) Opposed county approval of the plan to mine phosphate in the environmentally sensitive Altman Tract, 2008. (11) Supported development of effective rules for the application of fertilizers in Manatee County in order to protect estuarine resources and drinking water supplies, 2008. (12) Opposed discharge of treated wastewater in the county drinking water watershed, 2011. (13)

Opposed Wingate mine extension, 2012. (14) Supported an initiative to build a network of recreational trails, 2013 (15) Opposed comprehensive plan changes for Long Bar Pointe development 2013. (16) Opposed state plans to sell a portion of Lake Manatee State Park, 2013. (17) Opposed county code change to give conceptual approval to major developments without sufficient information, 2014. (18) Objected to the proposed SWFWMD surplus sale of Pine Island in Manatee County, 2015. (19) Opposed the Wingate East Mine, 2017. (20) Opposed Aqua By the Bay, 2017. (21) supported solar co-ops 2018 and 2021.

Social Issues: (1) Support of a continuum of services for children and families, including the following: (a) 7-day, 24-hour quality infant and day care, and the accompanying requisite, adequate pay for its staffing; (b) appropriate short-term shelter for the various categories of homeless, including the abused; (c) long-term low and moderate income housing in non-restrictive settings; (d) quality social services and parenting education for families at risk and the Children Services Advisory Board's role therein; (e) family planning services; (f) availability of physical and mental health care, including the indigent care contractually available at Manatee Hospital; (2) Supported Day Resource Center for the homeless, 2002. (3) Supported a second-chance home for pregnant and parenting teens with their children, 2005. (4) Opposed Sanctuary City for guns for Manatee County.

Voter Issues: (1) Endorsed the Manatee Chamber of Commerce campaign ethics policy, 1995. (2) Opposed the elimination of runoff elections in the City of Bradenton, 2012. (3) Opposed the closure of numerous polling places in low income minority areas, 2014.

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PROPOSED BYLAWS**

(Proposed revision April 2026 from last revised April 20254)

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MANATEE LEAGUE HISTORY

In July 1959, a group of community-minded women decided to form the League of Women Voters of Manatee County. They applied for a charter as a Provisional League and received official approval in April 1960. Workshops were conducted to familiarize the members with their county. The Provisional League studied the functions of the county commission, the county departments, library improvement, the hospital, sanitation, local tax structures, slum clearance, community planning, care of mental patients, and the availability of culture and recreation in Manatee County.

These programs led to the publication of the first Know Manatee County, the prerequisite for admission as a full-fledged League. This status was acquired in May, 1962, and permitted study of national, state and local issues and problems. The new League chose to work on voters' service and membership; and decided to study The United Nations and Foreign Economic Policy (national), apportionment (state), and home rule (local).

OUR COLLABORATORS

Our League collaborates with many organizations, groups, and corporate entities in any given year to accomplish our goals. In recent years we have participated in activities with: American Association of University Women of Bradenton, American Association of University Women of Manatee County, Bradenton Alumni Chapter-Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Bradenton Woman's Club, Common Cause Florida, Digital Democracy Project, Family Oriented Community United Strong, First Responders for Democracy, Florida Freedom to Read Project, Florida Policy Institute, Florida Rights Restoration Coalition, Florida Veterans for Common Sense, Floridians for National Popular Vote, Food Bank of Manatee County, Healthy Start, Healthy Teens Coalition, Immigration Justice Coalition for South West Florida, Indivisible, Islander Newspaper, Manatee Chamber of Commerce, Manatee Clean Energy Alliance, Manatee County Health Alliance, Manatee County Health Department, Manatee Community Foundation, Manatee County School District, Manatee County Supervisor of Elections Office, Manatee Educational Television, Manatee Fish & Game Association, Manatee Healthcare Alliance, Manatee Pride, Manatee-Sarasota Sierra Club, Manatee Tiger Bay, Manatee Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Social Justice, Marine Resources Council, Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People of Manatee County, Open Primaries, Prism Youth Initiative, Project 180, Rank My Vote, Reflections of Manatee, Realize Bradenton, Sarasota/Manatee NOW, Sarasota and Manatee Commissions on the Status of Women, Social Equity through Education Alliance Manasota, State College of Florida Manatee-Sarasota, S.T.R.E.A.M., SUN Gulf Coast Program, Suncoast Partnership to End Homelessness, Suncoast Searchlight, SWAT Networking, Turning Points, Unchained At Last, Unidos Now, Unitarian Universalists of Sarasota Justice Seekers, United Way Suncoast, VoteRiders, We Care Manatee, Women's Resource Center.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MANATEE COUNTY

PAST PRESIDENTS

1960-62	Eve Socolof	1995	Lucille Normandin
1962-64	Mary Lou Warfield	1995-99	Jeanne Jochens
1964-65	Dawn Duncan	1999-2001	Jean Van Delft
1965-67	Martha Farnam	2001-2003	Nancy Horne
1967-69	Jane Kossa	2003-2006	Peg McGarity
1969-71	Dorothy Arnold	2006-2007	Catherine Offenhauer
1971-73	Mary Blackburn	2007-2009	Valerie Fisher
1973-75	Marjory Peters	2009-2010	Hannah Honeyman & Nancy Horne
1975-76	Jane Kossa	2010-2013	Rosalie Shaffer
1976-78	Marion Woernle	2013	Lee Pflueger
1978-80	June Isbell	2014-2019	Rosalie Shaffer
1980-83	Nan Russell	2019	Alice Newlon
1983-87	Barbara Talburt	2023	Ruth Harenchar
1987-90	Thelma Ryan		
1990-91	Barbara Zdravecky & Tomara Kafka		
1991-93	Emily Putnal		
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