



# The Voter



## League of Women Voters of North & Central San Mateo County, California

The League of Women Voters is where hands-on work to safeguard democracy leads to civic improvement.

May 2017

### General Meeting

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Silicon Valley Community Foundation  
1300 South El Camino, San Mateo CA 94402

### Right Type, Right Place

The League of Women Voters of San Mateo County has selected housing and transportation issues as our areas of interest for the last several years. Housing has become an even more critical issue as rents and purchase prices have skyrocketed upward and no one seems to have an answer on how to resolve our housing crisis. Maybe what we need is a well-researched analysis of the environmental and economic impacts of housing and transportation to provide guidelines.

Join us to hear from Colleen Kredell, Director of Research at Next 10, on their new report, *Right Type, Right Place - Assessing the Environmental and Economic Impacts of Infill Residential Development through 2030*. Next 10 commissioned the Center for Law, Energy, and the Environment (CLEE) at the UC Berkeley School of Law and the Turner Center for Housing Innovation at UC Berkeley to analyze the environmental and economic impacts of housing production as a means of reaching the goals of SB32 greenhouse gas reduction.

The report looks at three housing development scenarios for the state through 2030:

- Business as usual (baseline), following the same patterns as in 2000-2015
- Medium infill
- Target infill

The report also defines four types of housing: compact single-family housing, detached or 2-4 unit buildings, multi-family low to midrise buildings, and multi-family high-rise buildings. The baseline comprises mainly single family detached units on small lots near transit so residents do not need to drive long distances, while the infill scenarios contain mainly multifamily buildings. The report finds that encouraging new development in infill areas would spur economic growth, reduce monthly household costs, and cut greenhouse gas emissions. We encourage members to read the Executive Summary in the report at <http://next10.org/sites/next10.org/files/right-type-right-place.pdf>.

This meeting is open to the public. Please contact Susie Raye at [Program@lwnncsmc.org](mailto:Program@lwnncsmc.org) for more information.

#### Directions to the Silicon Valley Community Foundation

Going South on Highway 101: Take the 3rd Avenue exit. Go west on 3rd Avenue about one mile. Turn left on El Camino.

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

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## President's Message



A BIG thank you goes out to Marie Baldisseri and her team for hosting the luncheon on April 7 at Poplar Creek. It was a fabulous event. The food was wonderful. Congresswoman Jackie Speier gave one of the best speeches I have ever heard about why the League is important and why everyone should be a member. Our state president, Helen Hutchison, was there and we joked that we should use the Congresswoman as a recruiter since she gave a very personal and passionate speech about League and all we do. Absolutely fabulous! As an added bonus, Channel 7 News was there to interview Congresswoman Speier about political developments in Afghanistan and ran a clip on their evening news showing our luncheon; our red-white-and-blue League banner on the speaker's podium; and the voice-over by Eric Thomas said Ms. Speier was attending a League of Women Voters' luncheon. What a great, unexpected bit of publicity for the League! It was a lovely afternoon to celebrate LWV and all that we are! I'm so glad so many of you were able to be there.

Membership is increasing! Over the past few months, we have gained numerous new members. We are thrilled to be experiencing such an uptick in membership. Welcome to all our new members! We are so pleased to have you join us and help us make a difference in the world.

Thank you so much to everyone who has contributed so generously to our finance drive. We have raised over \$4,000 so far! That is much more than I ever dreamed we could garner from a simple letter! I am so grateful for all your support of League and its mission.

Mark your calendars and save the date! Annual meeting kits will be in the mail the second week of May. The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, June 10, at 9 a.m. at the CSM Board Room. The date is later than usual because the League of Women Voters of California convention is later this year ... from June 1 to 4 in Sacramento. Since we didn't want to hold Annual Meeting over the Memorial Day weekend, we opted to go for the second Saturday in June. I hope to see many of you there!

On a personal note, I've had two very special joys this month. One was the birth of my second grandchild, a granddaughter, in mid-April. Lila is William's little sister; many of you have met William at various meetings. He's now a very happy big brother! My second joy is that my younger daughter Sarah officially joined our League. Some of you old-timers will remember Sarah as the baby who I brought to board meetings with me way back when. When I was board secretary, many of you took a turn holding Sarah while I took notes. Sarah and her next-oldest brother Cameron also came with me to study committee meetings on childcare when we were working on the state study back in the late 1980s. Sarah is a third generation League member. Life does come full circle sometimes. Maybe someday Lila will be the fourth generation.

*Kathee Tyson, President*

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## Board Highlights

At the April board meeting:

- Approved the proposed budget for 2017-2018 and the proposed bylaws amendments both to be voted on at the annual meeting
- Learned that we now have five new members for a total of 149 members
- Heard that all five legislative interviews have been completed and that the reports will be published in the *Voter*
- Heard that the March meeting on the Nation Popular Vote movement had a lot of good discussion and that the April meeting will be at Qube Bar and Grill with a program by Peninsula Clean Energy
- Learned that the LWVUS opposes holding a constitutional convention on requiring a balanced federal budget since the agenda of the convention cannot be limited

*Jean Johnson, Secretary*

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## Plan Bay Area 2040

Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 is a regional plan that addresses how the Bay Area will grow over the next two decades and identifies transportation and land use strategies to enable a more sustainable, equitable, and economically vibrant future. It was released for public comment on March 31.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) examines the proposed Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 and four alternatives and the range of potential environmental impacts that could come for implementation of Plan Bay Area 2040. It was released on April 17, 2017.

The Draft Transportation-Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 and Amended 2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is an analysis that determines whether transportation investments are consistent with goals to improve air quality. It is scheduled for release on May 1.

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) are soliciting comments on the documents now and are providing several ways for the public to provide input including open house events throughout the region and public hearings.

You can share your ideas on Draft Plan Bay Area 2040 at an open house on Thursday, May 4, 6:30 – 8:30 p. m. at Sequoia High School Multi-Purpose Room, 1201 Brewster Avenue, Redwood City. Displays and staff will be available at this event.

You can also view the Draft Plan Bay Area (2040.PlanBayArea.org ) and comment online. Submit written comments to [eircomments@mtc.ca.gov](mailto:eircomments@mtc.ca.gov). The comment period for all documents closes on June 1, 2017 at 4 p.m.

*Jackie Jacobberger*



### Annual Meeting

Mark your calendars! LWVNCSMC's Annual Meeting will be held on **Saturday, June 10**, from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

A registration form is available in this *Voter*.

Watch for your Annual Meeting Kit, coming in the mail soon. It will include the agenda and business to be acted on at the June 10 meeting. At the annual meeting, members will adopt the budget and program for the 2017-2018 League year and elect new officers and directors.

## Welcome to Our New Members!

Jennifer Colvin  
Julie Hitchcock  
Patricia West Smith  
Cecile Steinberg

## League Action Report

As California residents consider the actions proposed by the federal government, they think some of them do not meet California values. The LWVC is asking us to become activists by signing up for— and reading—action alerts and learning more about how the League takes action. The League makes this very easy to do on the website <https://lwvc.org>. The site is easy to use and clearly written. Under the **TAKE ACTION** tab are three topics: **ACTION ALERTS**, **HOW THE LEAGUE TAKES ACTION**, and **LEGISLATION**. They are informative, pragmatic, and interesting. Content on the home page is organized under the following categories: announcements, press mentions, and public statements. Each item has a **Read more** link for more detail on the topic and is dated with the most recent ones at the beginning of the list.

I recommend that every member visit the site regularly to stay well informed about what is going on in the state and what the League's views are. Very pragmatic decisions are made about what the League asks members to support and why that decision was reached. Newer members will learn a lot about the League by visiting the website.

The national League is asking members to contact their representatives to discuss the termination of the Election Assistance Commission (NO!), protection of Medicare under the AHCA, and the Ozone Standards Implementation Act. This act weakens the Clean Air Act without a single improvement and undermines Americans' 46-year right to healthy air based on medical science as well as delaying life-saving standards already years overdue. Congress will be picking at these issues for a while, so reminders about how voters feel will be needed beyond the recess.

Some states are discussing the holding of a constitutional convention to require a balanced federal budget. The League is opposed to holding a constitutional convention. Because the agenda cannot be limited, anything might come up. There is no protocol for such a convention, so there are no checks and balances.

The League also opposes a mandated balanced budget as it limits the federal government's responses to critical infrastructure needs and responses in moments of crisis.

*Diana Stephens, Action Director*

## Membership Renewals



At last year's annual meeting, the bylaws were amended to provide for anniversary dues, meaning that members will have a full year of membership when they join. However, because of the provision in prior years, most of our members still have an expiration date of June 30 and will soon receive a renewal notice.

The budget to be presented at the annual meeting proposes an increase in dues. If adopted, the dues will increase after July 1 to \$75 for one person, to \$115 for two persons in one household. To renew at the current rate, you should renew promptly (before June 30) when you receive your renewal notice.

*Jackie Jacobberger*

## Observer Corps Observing Your Government in Action

The League has been a champion of government transparency since its founding in 1920. Government transparency is one of the League's core principles and a vital part of its mission. Efforts in this area reinforce the League's reputation of fairness, nonpartisanship, and trust.

Too many voters are complacent and distressingly uninformed about how our county, cities, and school districts function.

Alternative facts, cronyism, influence of money and waste of taxpayer dollars are not only issues of concern at the national level, they may also exist right here at the local level. We want to trust our elected officials; we don't want to feel we need to question the decisions they make on our behalf. However, when we are surprised by a political decision we disagree with, we ask ourselves, "How could this have happened?" Additionally, we vote on bond and tax measures expecting the money will be spent as the vague ballot language and the glossy, political mailers say it will. How often do we follow up to ensure a ballot measure's promise has been kept? How many times have you asked yourself about a new tax proposal saying, "Didn't we just vote on something like this?" or "Why aren't our taxes already paying for this?"



The Observer Corp program is one way for our League to ensure "sunshine" or government transparency regulations are followed in the communities we serve. The Observer Corp is a structured way for individuals to exercise their right to know, and it provides a valuable service to the community. It helps ensure that citizens are aware of the decisions that impact their lives, and it promotes government transparency and accountability.

A League observer is an individual who attends a governmental meeting, notes what happens at the meeting, and reports back to the League and (hopefully) to the community. By attending public meetings of local governmental bodies/agencies, observers learn more about what their government is doing. They learn about the issues facing their community. They also learn how issues are being addressed. Observers keep

elected and appointed officials on notice; they let them know that someone is watching what decisions are being made and how they are being made. Observers help ensure the issues facing the community are being handled “in the sunshine,” in the open.

Observer programs are not vehicles for individuals to work personal or partisan agendas. Observers generally do not act on issues in these meetings. Unless serving as a designated spokesperson for the League, observers should not provide commentary or testimony on issues on behalf of the League. Instead, observers attend meetings to gather information. Through the process, their presence encourages better, more transparent government.

An observer program will benefit the observers, the League, and the community by:

- Creating a civically engaged and empowered cadre of watchdogs
- Connecting individuals with government
- Promoting open, transparent, and accountable government
- Connecting elected/appointed officials with their constituents

For those who are ready to increase their participation in the League and in their local government, the LWV Observer Corp offers members an opportunity. If you are looking for a way to make a positive difference, join the Observer Corp! The initial meeting will be held in early June. If you’re interested in participating, please contact Maxine Turner at [publicmax@gmail.com](mailto:publicmax@gmail.com) or give her a call at 650-579-7855.

*Maxine Turner, Observer Corp Chair  
Marie Baldisseri, Membership Director*

## Legislative Interview with Assemblymember Kevin Mullin

District 22 February 10, 2017



**Question 1: Funding of Elections:** *What legislative measures would you support to ensure adequate and stable funding of election administration in California?*

This is an important question. Most of the election systems currently in use are nearing the end of their usefulness and need to be modernized. Currently, there is a patchwork of systems across each of the 58 counties statewide. There needs to be a dedicated funding stream from the state to enable these counties to modernize their elections systems. This could be done by the Legislature in conjunction with the Secretary of State. There is a proposal by Assemblyman Mullin to move the presidential primary to “Super Tuesday” in March so that California voters have more of a say in who the various party nominees will be. This would be a consolidated primary in which all offices would be on the March ballot. In the past, we had a presidential primary in February followed by a primary for other offices in June; the June primary did not have a very high turnout so holding a consolidated primary would alleviate that problem. In non-presidential years (2018, etc.), the primary would continue to be held in June. Assemblyman Mullin was quite adamant that voter fraud in California is almost nonexistent and claims to the contrary by the Trump administration are bogus and only serve to undermine public confidence in the system.

**Question 2: Public Higher Education:** *How can California meet the challenge of enrolling more students, including students with greater needs, at the UC and CSU? Is more state funding needed? Where does this issue rank in your legislative priorities?*

For Assemblyman Mullin, this is an important issue and is a high priority for the Democratic caucus. He is of the opinion that the middle class scholarship should not be eliminated as the governor wants to do. He believes in a fixed tuition model and that we should lower barriers for “home grown” students. Community colleges are an important resource to provide new skilled workers and linkages to the UC and CSUs. Innovative partnerships between community colleges and business should be encouraged. He is in favor of updating the Master Plan and sees community colleges as a ladder of opportunity.

**Question 3: Water Resources:** *What kinds of legislative proposals would you support to ensure that enough water of adequate quality is available for municipal and industrial uses, agriculture, and the environment in the face of over-stretched surface water and groundwater resources and climate conditions different than those California experienced in the last century?*

Despite the recent rains, the drought is not going away. Climate change is a fact. We should not be lulled into complacency about water. We need to be smarter and wiser in how we use water. The use of recycled water (not toilet to tap) should be explored and expanded. We also need to increase innovation in water technology. A bond dealing with ground water is the first step. Assemblyman Mullin is also concerned about bay level rise as his district will be the one most economically impacted in the state.

**Question 4: ACA:** *What will happen to Californians if the ACA is dismantled?*

Assemblyman Mullin says this is an issue that keeps him awake at night. California could conceivably lose over \$15 billion dollars if the ACA is dismantled that is currently spent on health care. He is unsure what is going to happen. There will be a concentrated effort to ensure that Californians continue to have health care coverage. He believes the Legislature needs to develop a strategy and think strategically. In reality, we will need to "pick our battles" with the federal government.

**Question 5:** *What other major issues do you think the legislature must deal with in 2017? What are your personal priorities?*

In San Mateo County, housing and transportation are twin top priority issues. These are also top priorities in the Democratic caucus. Federal matching funds for the electrification of CalTrain are something that could be in jeopardy. However, the Trump administration has said they would like to improve infrastructure so perhaps this funding will come through after all.

In the state, there is a proposal for a transportation infrastructure bill that would need to pass by a 2/3 majority of the voters. It would be \$50-60 billion over 10 years. The gas tax would increase by 12 cents. Vehicle License Fees (VLFs) would be increased. There would be a surcharge on electric vehicles that currently pay very little gas tax.

In the housing area, more affordable housing is needed. The governor needs to show more leadership in this area. There is talk of eliminating the mortgage interest deduction on second homes. Most communities are not meeting the need for housing. There needs to be an appeal process at the state level and he is open to some kind of appeal process at the state level to help ensure that communities in which many jobs are created are helping supply housing that will invariably be in demand as a result. He does not want San Mateo County to become the poster child for a jobs and housing imbalance.

## Legislative Interview with Senator Scott Wiener

District 11 March 10, 2017



**Question 1: Funding of Election:** *What legislative measures would you support to ensure adequate and stable funding of election administration in California?*

"I'm a supporter of improving and modernizing our election's equipment (s) and to take a different approach is to how we run elections, for example, towards more Open Source voting which is more transparent and much more cost effective you don't have pay massive amounts to outside vendors with closed systems. I was working on moving San Francisco towards Open Source voting and there has been some progress yet very slow and it's my hope that the state as a whole moves in that direction. And yes the state should provide some support but in the end the counties are responsible for running elections and I don't want to put the state in a position where we are supporting all of the local county's elections

department as that is a county responsibility. So I'm not saying that they should never provide help but I would hesitate to get the state into a position where the safety net for all elections departments. But it is important for the state to set standards so that we have reliable election processes throughout the state so that it's not scatter shot. In regard to reforming Proposition 13, I support establishing a split roll so that in particular larger commercial buildings are not covered by Prop 13, or at least not fully covered. In California, we have gotten ourselves into a position where we are overly reliant on income taxes on high earners which is the most volatile form of taxes. Because it's with the economy; it explodes and then collapses. So when Trump came into office there was talk about cutting taxes on the wealthy and then in California there was talk of making that up and to raise taxes on the wealthy, I'm sympathetic to that and I reminded people that that would just make our tax structure even more unstable. If we're really going to solve this problem we have to look at things like reforming Prop.13, reforming our sales tax that doesn't apply to any services and more and more of our economy is moving away from good towards services and that's a really hard one, as you can imagine. Senator Hertzberg of Southern California has been working on that but we need major tax reform in California. With the split roll, I hope, too, that it would go to the ballot and the polling on it, that I've seen, it polls in the low to mid 50's and we know that the business community would run a campaign against it. Then the whole campaign would be to first confuse people to think that it has

to do with their house and second that this is the camel's nose under the tent and they are going to come after your house next and then also depending on how it's structured, if it reached into smaller commercial at all it'll be all about Mom and Pop businesses and I think there is a reason why the unions haven't put it on the ballot, if they thought it could win they would have put it on a long time ago."

**Question 2: Public Higher Education:** *How can California meet the challenge of enrolling more students, including students with greater needs, at the UC and CSU? Is more state funding needed? Where does this issue rank in your legislative priorities?*

"UC and CSU need significantly larger general fund support and in California these two systems play a critical role, along with our community colleges, in creating modern California with a strong middle class and with this advanced economy around technology, healthcare and along with the K-12 system that used to exist in California and our investments in infrastructure. In the 40's and 50's and even the 60's we really created this modern state and made it the center of the universe in many ways. And then over time, we made poor decisions around our tax structure and we have this state of forty million people that is the size of a large European country, and the 5th or 6th largest economy in the world and yet we struggle to pay for basic services- K-12 is in the 40's of the 50 states in per person spending. We had dis-invested in infrastructure in a major way and we had defunded UC and CSU and put these two systems in a place where they could either raise tuition or getting more out of state students as a way to get more money and then that means less spots for in state students. And we are constantly berating them for either raising fares or not having enough slots for California residents and then we are not giving them the general fund support that they need to do everything we want, which is to put a lid on tuition and to have a lot of slots for in state students. So we need to increase the general fund support for these systems but that will only happen in a meaningful way if we reform our tax system and have the revenue for that need and for other needs as well.

Question: How does this rank in your priorities?

"I rank it high and it's definitely on my radar with a number of other important priorities. I would like to see a reform on a tax structure so that we can generate more revenue in a stable way and to fund these needs. We will see what happens there. Senator Hertzberg is working on it, the overall reform and has taken the lead on it but I'm very supportive of his efforts and I also don't want to reduplicate his efforts."

**Question 3: Water Resources**

*What kinds of legislative proposals would you support to ensure that enough water of adequate quality is available for municipal and industrial uses, agriculture, and the environment in the face of over-stretched surface water and groundwater resources and climate conditions different than those California experienced in the last century?*

"We need to restructure and modernize our water system. The way we build our water system in California no longer applies, it's not adequate anymore with the size of our state. And we have gone through an usual number of wet decades that aren't the norm in California. And even though we have gone through a couple of wet winters, we have a long term structural water shortage in California and the only way we can address it is to modernize the system. We need to become more and more efficient in not just how we use water but apart from that we have to increase water recycling. I think it's embarrassing how little California recycles compared to places like Australia or Israel which are two very arid environments where they recycle huge amounts of water. We make it very hard in California to recycle water and our state agencies are just lumbering and behind and we need to invest massively in water recycling infrastructure both on an industrial scale but also in a decentralized scale in terms of making more of our housing and office buildings stock recycled water on site. We should be moving towards a so called black water model so that it's just everything together and the technology is that even if it's coming from your toilet you can recycle it, purify it and drink it. And it's a heck of a lot cheaper to do black water because if you do grey water you need two sets of pipes and it's just much more complicated; black water you just need the one set of pipes. We should be moving in that direction. I have a bill this year, yet I can't remember the bill number, and it directs the relevant state departments to update and establish modernized health standards for recycled water and they have to issue the new standard and they have to do that before we can really move forward. I will be doing more aggressive water legislation as well. Water recycling costs about a quarter or a fifth of what desalination costs just in terms of creating the infrastructure and operating it. And desalination has more of an environmental impact and uses a massive amount of power although we shouldn't take anything off the table, desalination should be an option as a last resort when you run out of other options and water recycling should be at the front of the line. We also need to make it much more robust in replenishing ground water, making it so that when we have a lot of rain that the rain is actually going into the aquifers and there is much more knowledge now on how to do that but it requires participation of private property owners in terms of having areas that can

effectively recharge the aquifers and we need to do that as well. We should do public information campaigns and I think that happens naturally over time. There is less public information going on because people think that the drought is solved yet in Southern California they are not back to where they need be, in Northern California the reservoirs are all going gang busters but there are parts of Southern California that are well below where they need to be. There was a podcast on NPR out of Sacramento where they were talking about water and the legislature and how people perceive the drought as being over. And this is how it works in the legislature, there is always a hot issue, I did a lot of water related work in City Hall when I was in the Board of Supervisors and then all of sudden during the drought there are all these water bills and everyone wanted to do a water bill and now that it's out of mind there are not very many water bills in the legislature. I'm going to keep going on water. Assemblymember Bill Quirk from the South Bay is also doing a water recycling bill that I think complements what we are doing so I think I will work with him on that. We see it now with housing, there weren't many people who were doing bills but now all of sudden there a hundred housing bills in the legislature because, as it should be, it's an issue that is front and center."

**Question 4: Local League Question:** *Do you support single payer healthcare?*

"Yes, I support it. It's in skeletal form now it's not flushed out. I've always been a supporter of single payer health care and I think that if the federal government was capable of doing anything nondestructive we would just expand Medicare, when we had Medicare for all. For California to do it alone, I'm supportive of us and if it's feasible moving in that direction. It's challenging for one state to do it when you're restructuring the whole healthcare system especially in terms of paying for it, but I think we should absolutely explore it and do it if we can figure out how to do it well."

**Question 5:** *What other major issues do you think the legislature must deal with in 2017? What are your personal priorities?*

"Housing and I have a bill **SB 35** that will try to reform how we approve housing. And try to stop local communities from not allowing housing in their city. For many communities now they don't allow any housing. We are at a crisis point not only in San Francisco and in the Bay Area but in huge slots of the state including suburban and rural areas. I've heard rural, conservative republicans talk about their housing struggles. And it's everywhere from San Francisco to farm workers; it's a huge problem. It's a huge problem that California hasn't had the political will to tell people you're going to have housing in your community and you can't just say build it elsewhere. Everyone of us can think of twenty reasons why we shouldn't have housing where I live or in my city. This isn't just affordable housing but all housing. Let's be clear about what affordable housing is: it's below market rate and subsidized housing, it's housing where there is a public subsidy that subsidizes the cost of that housing. I fully support that especially for low-income people because the market will not produce housing for them and I've always been a big proponent of it. Also, if anyone ever tells you that we will solve our middle class housing problem with public subsidizes I would like you to come immediately to me so I can sell you a bridge! It will never happen as there are not enough public subsidizes to solve the middle class problem. It is so broad and so deep. For low income people, I think we can really move the dial if we make the investment but for middle income people, the only way we are going to solve the problem is to have more housing of every variety; new multi unit apartment buildings, in law units, small units, large units, family size units, just more of everything and not just in San Francisco but in the surrounding communities; in San Mateo County near the Caltrain lines, in the South Bay, in Oakland, in various parts of LA. And having a mix of the subsidized rate and the affordable and everything. It's been estimated that California needs to boost 180,000 units a year statewide and at all income levels just to keep up with growth and we're producing half or not even half that so it just gets worse and worse. I'm very passionate about the issue because it's a crisis. It's harming everyone; families, seniors, young people. There are too many jobs for the housing, yet I don't think there are too many jobs. Now we have companies that are moving here or starting here and so they grow here so the unemployment rate is really low and it's great to have those jobs but you have to have your housing keep up with it.

I'm also very focused on transportation funding in particular for public transportation. We have a big funding bill moving through the legislature and I'm going to make sure it has good investment for public transportation. We have so much congestion on our roads that we have to bulk up these transit systems here and in Southern California.

I'm very focused as always on health access. I have a few different HIV related bills and also a few bills to expand access to CalFresh (food stamps). Also, the environment and climate change is a huge priority for the legislature and for me personally, I have a bill to require solar panels on new roofs, a bill to try and incentivize technology for storage of energy particularly solar and renewables. And I have a bill that would make it extremely hard to transport tar sands oil in California, the oil in the excel pipeline."





**League of Women Voters of North & Central San Mateo County  
Annual Meeting**

**Saturday, June 10, 2017, 9:00 a.m. to Noon  
San Mateo Community College Board Room  
3401 CSM Drive  
San Mateo 94401**

**9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast  
9:30 a.m. Business Meeting (Resumes after speaker)**

**10: 00 a.m. Speaker: Assemblymember Kevin Mullin  
22<sup>nd</sup> District, San Mateo County**

The Annual Meeting is the only business meeting for the general membership during the year. Your participation is important as we set the direction of the League during the next twelve months. Guests are welcome, although they may not vote.

Continental breakfast and registration \$15.00

**Deadline for reservations: Friday, June 2, 2017**

Send reservation with check payable to LWVNCSMC to the League office:  
LWV North & Central San Mateo County  
444 Peninsula Avenue, Suite 1, San Mateo CA 94401

Reservations may also be made by PayPal.  
See our website: <http://lwnvncsmc.org/annualmeeting.html>

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I will attend! Enclosed is my reservation for Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 10, 2017

Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## May Calendar

Date	Time	Description	Place
Monday May 1	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Board Meeting Members are always welcome to attend	44 Peninsula Avenue, Suite 1 San Mateo CA 94401
Tuesday May 16	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	General Meeting Next 10: Right Type, Right Place	Silicon Valley Community Foundation 1300 South El Camino, San Mateo CA 94402
Saturday June 10	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Annual Meeting Guest Speaker – Assemblymember Kevin Mullin (10:00 a.m.)	College of San Mateo Board Room 3401 CSM Drive San Mateo CA 94402

## JOIN THE LEAGUE

*Where new members just like you are taking advantage of leadership opportunities and making an impact.*

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