

## **LWV San Diego County Positions**

**Citizen Participation in County Government and San Diego Regional Agencies ('78)**  
Support of informed and active participation of citizens in San Diego County government and regional agencies.

**Structure of Government in San Diego County and Region ('86 Revised 2002)**  
The League of Women Voters of San Diego County takes responsibility for monitoring governmental issues of the County of San Diego and those regional issues that are addressed by governments and agencies within San Diego region.

**Financing County Government ('92)**  
The League of Women Voters of San Diego County supports County governmental services and programs designed to meet the unique needs of the San Diego region, organized for public accessibility. The adequacy, efficiency, and cost effectiveness of these services and programs should be closely monitored by elected officials and by the public. Implementation should be carried out by competent staff, fairly compensated.

**Transportation ('90)**  
Support of a transportation system that meets the following standards: safety, favorable environmental qualities, convenience, availability to all; adequate funding from fees, assessments and taxes at all levels of government.

**Regional Planning ('70)**  
Support for flexible county-wide planning with broad outlines which provide guidelines and leave the details and implementation at the local support level.

**Parks ('73)**  
Support of the provision of regional and local parks and recreation facilities for all the residents of San Diego County whether they live in an incorporated or unincorporated community.

**Land Use ('75)**  
Support of a regional growth policy for the county which assures facilities and general services, including schools and transportation, accessibility to jobs, and which minimizes urban sprawl and maintains patterns of growth and community identity within an area.

**Child Advocacy ('80)**

***Child Abuse and Neglect***

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[2/25/2005](http://www.lwvsandiego.org/sdcopos.htm) Children of San Diego County have the right to grow up free of abuse and neglect. LWV of San Diego County supports emergency facilities, training, professionals availability of treatment and coordination of services.

***Child Day Care***

The League of Women Voters of San Diego County supports provision of diverse alternatives forms of day care for children responsive to the widely different social and economic needs of families.

***Juvenile Delinquency Prevention***

The League of Women Voters of San Diego County supports a juvenile delinquency prevention effort that gives priority to providing opportunities to participate constructively in society and will reduce the predisposition toward delinquency.

The positions on Child Abuse and Neglect and Child Day Care are integral to parts of a Juvenile Delinquency Prevention program. Together, these three parts constitute the Child Advocacy Position.

**Public Libraries ('84)**

Support of public libraries as a basic service of government with adequate funding by local, state, and federal government. Support of free access by all persons to public library service as a means for lifelong education and learning and as a major source of knowledge and information necessary for informed active participation in a democratic society.

**Services for the Seriously Mentally Ill in San Diego County ('98)**

Summarized recommendations of the League of Women Voters of San Diego County: The mental health system should establish a coordinated system of 24 hour regional centers each providing a full spectrum of health services. The County should maintain a full-time adequately staffed and funded community outreach program for the seriously mentally ill. The local county government should plan and provide adequate funding streams of programs for mentally ill clients. Mental health systems should establish an adequately funded coalition, independent of providers, made up of clients, family members and interested citizens, which will be empowered to recommend any necessary changes.