



Support for Fairfax Electoral Board and General Registrar as they work to Remedy Problems with Voter Address Changes

The League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area supports the General Registrar and the Electoral Board in their scrupulous efforts to ensure the integrity of the voter registration rolls in the County. At the same time, the League will continue to advocate for increased funding to protect a fair and just electoral process. Fairfax County is fortunate to have the resources and technological expertise to address the problems; the same is not true of many other Virginia cities and counties.

Members of the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area attended the Fairfax County Electoral Board meeting on January 10, 2018, to learn about the current problems with voter registration address updates and the very small number of voters who were assigned to wrong districts.

We appreciate and support their efforts to correctly process the voter registration transfers made at the Department of Motor Vehicles for over a year by people who were previously registered within the Commonwealth but who now have new addresses in Fairfax County. The problem does not impact voters who registered directly with the Office of Elections or with groups such as the League. Also, this problem does not affect new voters.

We were also reassured that the number of voters voting in the wrong districts is extremely small in Fairfax County and did not affect election results. We support their investigation and correction efforts on both matters.

One of our top legislative goals for 2018 is to advocate for adequate funding of elections. It is imperative that all election offices in Virginia have the funding and resources to address these problems and to ensure elections integrity. On January 6, 2018, our League testified before the Fairfax Delegation to the General Assembly to advocate for this funding:

We will continue to monitor these efforts and advocate for transparent and sound elections.