

League of Women Voters presents

“Empowering Voters Through Election Reforms”

The League of Women Voters of The Villages/Tri-County Area invites residents of Sumter, Lake and Marion counties to attend a special event Saturday, April 12th at 1:00 pm at *SeaBreeze Recreation Center*. (SeaBreeze is located at 2384 Buena Vista Blvd. in The Villages.)

The event is entitled “Empowering Voters Through Election Reforms”. The opening speaker will be Wesley Wilcox, *Supervisor of Elections* in Marion County. He will kick off the event with a discussion of election integrity, as that is still on the minds of voters. Wilcox is a member of the *Florida Supervisors of Elections (FSE)* association and served in all executive officer positions including president. Wilcox currently serves as *Chair of the Elections Infrastructure Center for Information Sharing and Analysis Center (EI-ISAC)* and is a member of *The Election Center Board of Directors*. He was selected to serve on the *Local Leadership Council of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC)* as well as the *Advisory Board of the Election Official Legal Defense Network (EOLDN)*.



His presentation will be followed by presentations/discussions on certain election reforms. While there has been progress in expanding voter access, many people still face disproportionate challenges to participate in elections due to factors including health, age, race, and gender. Our democracy is strongest when every voice is heard, which is why the League of Women Voters strongly advocates for measures to make voting more accessible.

Attendees will learn about voter

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accessibility measures supported by the *League of Women Voters*, including mail-in voting, early voting, and automatic voter registration. Presentations will include information on open primaries and ranked choice voting. These reforms have been used in a variety of locations including Alaska and New York City.

All residents of Sumter, Lake and Marion counties are invited to attend this free event. For more information, contact Gail Formanack at formanag@gmail.com ■