

THE LEAGUE CAN ONLY ACT AFTER STUDYING AN ISSUE AND ARRIVING AT A POSITION.

THESE ARE OUR LOCAL POSTIONS

GOVERNMENT

1. Library

Support the availability of free, publically supported library services for all Piedmont citizens. These services should be equal to the services provided by major library systems. We believe that, as a responsible member of the Bay Area community, Piedmont should pay its fair share for quality library services. (1995)

2. Planning Process

The planning process in Piedmont should be efficient, consistent and fair. Efforts should be made to balance the needs of the individual citizen with the needs of the community while maintaining the character and residential nature of Piedmont. (1991)

3. Disaster Preparedness

The League of Women Voters supports a comprehensive Disaster Preparedness Plan for Piedmont that includes responsibility and cooperation of the city, schools neighborhoods and individuals. (1992)

SOCIAL POLICY

1. Education

Support a high level of education within the Piedmont Unified School District. (1948)

2. Housing

Current state law recognizes the need for additional housing, and the League of Women Voters supports Piedmont's providing its fair share. Its members believe Piedmont can reach this goal without changing the character of the city or impairing the quality of life now enjoyed by its citizens. The need for affordable housing should be balanced with the need for open space; environmental needs should also be addressed. (1992)

3. Diversity

The League of Women Voters of Piedmont will continue to embrace diversity and pluralism through education, coalition building, outreach, and interactive studies. (2000)

NATURAL RESOURCES

Open Space

Support the enhancement and recreational development of open space for the use of all citizens of Piedmont subject to: public safety, appropriate access, adequate maintenance, controlled use, environmental impact and financial impact. (1985)

PROPOSED LOCAL PROGRAM 2009-2010

The Board recommends the following issues for emphasis:

1. Continued action on voter participation and outreach, especially to high school and college students.
2. Education and action on Single Payer Health Care, SB840, the California Health Insurance Reliability Act.
3. Continued monitoring of the Housing Element of Piedmont's General Plan.
4. Support and promote responsible energy policies and usage in our community.
5. Educate our community about practices to reduce our carbon footprint and sustainable use of natural resources, especially water.