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## **LWV Ohio Files Campaign Finance Pre-General Report, Thanks Fair Districts Coalition Partners for Supporting "Yes on Issue 1" Grassroots Outreach Campaign**

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**Columbus** – Today, the League of Women Voters of Ohio (LWVO) filed its Independent Expenditure pre-general election campaign finance report with the Ohio Secretary of State's Office.

"The League of Women Voters of Ohio is proud to be a founding member of the 'Fair Districts = Fair Elections' grassroots coalition, which formed this summer to support passage of Issue 1," said Carrie Davis, executive director of LWVO. "The League, Common Cause Ohio, the Ohio Voter Rights Coalition, and a host of other organizations wanted to come together and leverage our strength as grassroots organizations to engage voters about why Issue 1 redistricting reform is so important."

"Many of the groups who make up the Fair Districts = Fair Elections coalition operate at the grassroots level and wanted to integrate nonpartisan 'Yes on Issue 1' advocacy materials into our usual voter outreach, to complement the efforts of the official bipartisan campaign," said Catherine Turcer of Common Cause Ohio.

LWVO's Independent Expenditure reports show a total of \$11,234.68 has been spent to date, primarily on printing "Yes on Issue 1" materials. "Any good nonprofit knows how to stretch a dollar," said Davis, "and for a little over \$11,000 we have been able to print and distribute more than 130,000 'Yes on Issue 1' items around the state."

"LWV Ohio has been trusted source of voter information since 1920, and we've been advocating for redistricting reform for decades, so it was only natural that LWVO began providing materials to share the 'Yes on Issue 1' message with voters," added Davis.

Voters interested in showing their support for Issue 1 can order "Yes on Issue 1" yard signs, bumper stickers, buttons, and literature from LWVO -- or make a donation to support continued voter outreach -- online at [www.lwvohio.org](http://www.lwvohio.org) or by calling (614)469-1505. Supporters can volunteer to distribute "Yes on Issue 1" materials in their neighborhood by signing up online at [www.yesforissue1.org](http://www.yesforissue1.org) under the "take action" tab or by calling LWVO.

"We want to thank our local Leagues around the state, LWV volunteers, Fair Districts coalition partners, and those who donated funds and expertise to help produce and distribute so many nonpartisan "Yes on Issue 1" materials to voters," concluded Davis. "With all of us working together, Ohio can finally put a stop to partisan gerrymandering by voting Yes on Issue 1 this year."

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