

The VOTER January 2025

Happy New Year! Just a quick reminder that we hold monthly virtual member meetings to update everyone on the issues that are in our 2024-2025 Programs. [Click here to view our programs.](#) Our next virtual meeting will be held on January 6, 6 pm -7 pm. This month we hope you can also join us for our in-person Holiday Party on Jan. 25th! Also, we are kicking off 2025 with a January voter info event at USF on Jan.15. Please scroll all the way to the bottom for the signup and all meeting links.



Post-Holiday Party on Jan. 25



We will celebrate our League's 2024 accomplishments at our Post-Holiday Party on Saturday, Jan. 25, from 3-6 pm, at the New World Brewery, 810 E. Skagway Ave., Tampa. Reservations are not required, but we appreciate them for planning purposes. Click the button to get the details and make plans to attend!

[Learn More and RSVP!](#)

Join the Truth Brigade

The Indivisible Truth Brigade is a nonpartisan grassroots program designed to combat misinformation. Propaganda, false characterizations, intentionally misleading messages, and outright lies threaten our democracy and even our lives. Independent studies prove that we can persuade a lot of people to stop spreading lies with just one strategic message or conversation. More information on the Truth Brigade can be found at <https://act.indivisible.org/signup/indivisible-truth-brigade/>. A new member workshop and training will take place on Jan. 22, at 6:30 pm. Sign up for the workshop here: <https://indivisible.zoom.us>.

Speak Truth to Power

Dates have been set for the Pasco and Hillsborough Legislative Delegation meetings for 2025. The purpose of these meetings is to discuss local bills scheduled to be filed in the Florida Legislature, to provide a forum for the public to address members of the Legislative Delegation, and to conduct other delegation business in preparation for the 2025 Legislative Session.

Pasco County's annual Legislative Delegation meeting will be held **Jan. 7**, 10:00 am until 1:00 pm at the PHSC West Pasco Campus, in the Performing Arts Center, Building H, 10230 Ridge Road, New Port Richey, Florida 34654.

If you would like to be placed on the agenda for discussion relating to the local bill(s) or any issue, please fill out the required Speaker Request Form [here](#), before Thursday, **Jan. 2**, at 1:00 pm. Additional information may be found at [Pasco County Intergovernmental Affairs](#).

The 2025 Hillsborough Legislative Delegation Meeting will take place **Jan. 10**, 10 am to 2 pm, at T. Pepin Hospitality Centre, 4121 N 50th St, Tampa, 33610. More information and sign up to speak: <https://hcfl.gov/government/government-relations/state-legislative-delegation>.

As a reminder, the regular session of the Florida legislature will start on **March 4, 2025** and the LWVFL's Lobby Days will be **March 11-12**. *Mark your calendars! Registration will be opening soon!*

Hillsborough OLLI

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of South Florida (OLLI - USF) invites you to attend the **Winter Open House** on Wed., Jan. 8, at 10:00 am at the T. Pepin's Hospitality Centre at 4121 N 50th Street in Tampa. The Open House is free. Snacks and coffee will be served. Sign up for the Open House online by clicking [here](#).

The keynote speaker, Jeff Beradelli, is WFLA News Channel 8's Chief Meteorologist and Climate Specialist. He will speak on "Florida's Hurricane Threat as the Climate Changes."

Pasco OLLI

USF has announced that St. Leo University in New Port Richey will now host OLLI programs and the array of classes this winter looks great. The Open House for the Pasco programs will be on Wed., Jan. 15 at 10 am in the new Wellness Center on the historic St. Leo campus. Heather R. Parker, Ph.D., Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Professor of History at Saint Leo University will be the keynote speaker. The five St. Leo faculty who will be teaching classes this winter will also describe their offerings.

Register for the Open House by clicking [here](#).

1000 Friends of Florida

Join 1000 Friends of Florida for its Wed., Jan. 22 webinar, "What's Sprawl Got to do with it?" A team of ecologists and planners will discuss the interrelationships between sound planning for Florida's urban areas and better conservation of rural lands. (Hint: More people on less land leaves more land for nature and agriculture).

Sign up for the 2:00 webinar [here](#).

Abortion and the Underground

Powerstories Theatre offers *Jane: Abortion and the Underground* by Paula Kamen in January. This play shines a light on a chapter of pre-Roe history, with a staged reading on Jan. 6, followed by an interactive Zoom conversation with the playwright and three original members of the Jane Collective on Jan. 7. Tickets start at \$25 for the two-night package.

[Buy Tickets](#)

Upcoming Member Meetings

Jan. 6, 6-7 pm, Monthly Member Meeting. [Details](#)

Jan. 15, 9 am - 2 pm, Tabling Event at USF's Bull Market Community Partner Fair, Marshall Center, USF Campus. [Details](#)

Jan. 20, 12-1 pm, Monthly Board meeting. All Members welcome! [Details](#)

Jan. 25, 3-6 pm, Annual Holiday Party, New World Brewery. [Details](#)

Feb. 5, 9-10 am, Monthly Member Meeting. [Details](#)

Check the League's website [calendar of events](#) throughout the month for new meetings and events.

Want to know what's coming up? You can now subscribe to our HCLWV Events Calendar so our events show up on your online calendar! Find the subscribe link just below the calendar heading [here](#).

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