

## **Don't Panic---VOTE**

Franklin Roosevelt said, “Let us never forget that government is ourselves... The ultimate rulers of our democracy are not a president, senators, and congressmen and government officials, but the voters of this country.” The League of Women Voters supports “Empowering Voters, Defending Democracy” by providing voters with information. This November’s election has polarized Americans across the political spectrum; however, all who value our democracy should respect and encourage all eligible voters to vote. It is illegal to interfere with any voter’s access to the polls, and county Boards of Election and local law enforcement are prepared to protect everyone’s right to vote. Here’s some guidance and critical information: 1) Don’t panic. Panic leads to lower voter confidence which leads to lower voter turnout; 2) Commit yourself to voting no matter what, and then help your friends and family to do the same; 3) In North Carolina, we have three choices—absentee, One-Stop, or Election Day voting; 4) If you requested an absentee ballot and have not submitted it, you may change your mind and still vote at One-Stop or on Election Day. For more nonpartisan voter information, visit [lwvhcnc.org](http://lwvhcnc.org). and [VOTE411.org](http://VOTE411.org).

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