## **COMMUNITY NETWORKING**

The League of Women Voters of Buffalo/Niagara Experience

#### **STEPS WE TOOK:**

- We contacted organizations, attended meetings and listened to their needs .We volunteered out members and materials to help fill those needs.
- We held a meeting on 1-27-20 of representatives of these organizations where we shared our missions around voting and distributed the notes on that meeting along with a contact list.
- We developed relationships with members of these organizations, some of which have become friendships.
- We continue our work with these organizations, and are reaching out to more organizations in our two counties.

### OUR NETWORKS: A HISTORY League of Women Voters of Buffalo/Niagara

- We assigned a liaison with each of the 11 colleges in our two counties.
- In 2022 we provided voter registration, education, and information tabling at 9 campuses, and provided voter registration training to students of one club. Over 200 new voters were registered during August and September 2022.
- The liaisons met in April and agreed to contact student affairs staff at their colleges to pre-plan for August and September 2023.

# **COLLEGE PROGRAMS**

- We invite all members to volunteer for any event we need to staff.
- We think of ways to involve members who are homebound.
- We invite members of our network organizations to join our League. We also offer free memberships to all students.

# INVOLVING OUR MEMBERS-ATTRACTING NEW MEMBERS