

## **MLD Report**

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**The Membership Leadership Development (MLD) Program is founded on the principles of using the partnership among the levels of League (local, state, and national) to grow and revitalize our organization from the grassroots up. As part of the program, local Leagues employ best practices intentionally focused on strengthening and growing the League and the League's impact, with the help of state and national coaches for support. Local Leagues, state Leagues, and coaches are all trained in tried-and-true techniques proven to recruit new members and engage and retain current members.**

**Currently, over 100 state coaches are working with 23 national coaches (also known as the Ruth S. Shur Fellows) to provide guidance, mentoring, and moral support to local Leagues across the country.**

**Through the MLD program, the League is becoming more effective and more powerful in communities throughout the nation.**

**This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year for LWV-TLC to participate in the MLD Program. Through the support of the local Board, members, and resources from LWVO & LWVUS we are beginning to utilize the tools and techniques of MLD more effectively. For example there is a more concerted effort to engage members in activities. Also to use the event planning document, a tool designed to help accomplish successful League Events.**

**Currently Lucia Cooper, Chen Wang and myself are on the MLD Team. This team commits to be on a conference call once a month and to relay info to the Board. Also the team is available to help committees use the various MLD tools when requested.**

**Our State Coach is Pat Simons from New Hudson, OH.**

**It is time for me to roll off the team. As President, I am an ex-officio member of all committees. I will still get on the calls, but there needs to be someone to take my place. Anyone interested?**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Darcy Yates**