# 2024 GOALS

## ACTING TODAY TO SAFEGUARD A HEALTHY, SAFE, AND PROSPEROUS CLIMATE FUTURE FOR ALL

In the fight against the climate crisis, short-term decisions have long-term consequences. Environmental policies have a cumulative and direct effect on our health and safety: from the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the food we eat, to the likelihood that climate change-fueled weather disasters will destroy our homes, livelihoods, and lives.

Likewise, democracy policies have cumulative impacts on our nation's future. Who can vote, how easy it is to register, and the number of local polling places are all examples of policies that decide whether or not people can truly have a say in their democracy.

In 2024, the choices we make collectively will reverberate for generations to come. The League of Conservation Voters (LCV) and our affiliates in the Conservation Voters Movement (CVM) will defend the climate and democracy progress we've already made, and advance more just and equitable policies to protect people and the planet for the long term.



Equitable & Just Climate Progress



Healthy Communities & Public Lands



A Strong Representative Democracy



Climate & Democracy Champions

### EQUITABLE & JUST CLIMATE PROGRESS

In 2024, WE WILL WORK TO:

- Cut greenhouse gas emissions by pushing for executive action that sets limits on mercury and pollution from power plants, and finalizes carbon pollution regulations for both coal and natural gas plants.
- ✓ Curb pollution from vehicles by advocating for federal regulations that align with all new cars and SUVs being zero-emission by 2035 and all new heavy-duty trucks being zero-emission by 2040.
- Defend climate, clean energy, and environmental justice investments and safeguards from attacks in Congress by pressuring and supporting lawmakers to defend these critical programs during legislative negotiations and votes.
- Maintain and build support for bold climate action and clean energy adoption by elevating the real-world benefits of federal clean energy investments with the media, the public, and policymakers.
- ✓ Accelerate commitments to 100% clean energy in 13 states, advance clean energy deployment, and decarbonize electric grids by organizing advocacy campaigns and developing policy guidance to push decision-makers to take bold action.
- ✓ **Drive offshore wind development in New England** by securing commitments from governors to develop enough offshore wind to power every home in the region.
- ✓ Modernize electrical grids and address obstacles to clean energy deployment by working to secure strong federal support and enact robust state policy.
- Shut down coal plants and block methane gas plants in at least three states by organizing and advocating for regulatory, utility, and legislative actions.
- ✓ Advance zero-emission vehicles by pushing state and local decision-makers to utilize federal funds to transition away from fossil fuel-powered buses, trucks, and cars.
- Grow economic opportunities in communities most impacted by climate pollution and the transition to a clean energy economy by partnering with low-wealth communities and environmental justice groups to direct clean energy investments to frontline communities.



#### A STRONG REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY

In 2024, WE WILL WORK TO:

- ✓ Protect the freedom to vote and the health and safety of all communities by advocating for federal legislation that will strengthen voting rights, reduce the influence of money in politics, provide funds for state and local election offices, and expand and rebalance the U.S. Supreme Court.
- Counter election threats by raising awareness of disinformation campaigns and working with state and local officials to ensure equitable implementation of state voting laws.
- Secure pro-democracy administrative actions by advocating for federal agencies to conduct nonpartisan voter registration of eligible voters, as state motor vehicle departments do.
- Ensure the confirmation of President Biden's highly qualified pro-environment, pro-democracy judges to every vacant lifetime seat on the federal bench by advocating for personally and professionally diverse nominees with records of working for the best interests of people and communities.
- Protect voter rights at the state level by advocating to pass Voting Rights Acts in seven states, make ballots and materials accessible in multiple languages in six states, and secure Native and Indigenous voting rights in Utah and Wisconsin.
- Expand the electorate by advocating for policies that guarantee the right to vote, regardless of former conviction or incarceration status, in eight states.
- Diversify representation so that leaders are more reflective of the people they serve by advancing policies that consider ranked choice voting (RCV) in nine states, promoting fair maps in seven states, and addressing issues of money in politics and equitable legislator pay in four states.
- Defend the freedom to vote by using lobbying, grassroots mobilization, and coalition work to combat state-level policies that enable voter suppression, attacks on voting by mail, and sham election reviews.
- ✓ Increase the pool of diverse pro-climate, pro-democracy candidates who run for office through recruitment and training programs that are welcoming and inclusive of candidates of color, young people, LGBTQ+ people, and women.
- Register approximately 125,000 new voters from among historically disenfranchised communities across the country through nonpartisan registration methods.





#### HEALTHY COMMUNITIES & PUBLIC LANDS

In 2024, WE WILL WORK TO:

- Protect clean water by building support for legislative and administrative actions through large-scale public education campaigns, encouraging the Biden-Harris administration to use the tools at its disposal to protect clean water, and working with states to protect drinking water and wetlands.
- ✓ Halt the buildout of fossil fuel infrastructure by advocating for the shutdown of outdated pipelines, urging the Department of Energy to use its existing authority to conduct a full reassessment of the cost, climate, and environmental justice impacts of liquefied methane gas (LNG) export infrastructure, and developing a deeper bench of Congressional Champions who engage in stopping fossil fuel buildout.
- Help our nation conserve 30% of our lands and oceans by 2030 by securing permanent protections for at least two new large landscapes (300,000+ acres) and mobilizing the public to push the Biden-Harris administration to prioritize monument designations and protections for the Arctic.
- Ensure at least 40% of climate and clean energy investments benefit environmental justice communities by working with our partners in the Equitable & Just National Climate Platform to shape implementation of federal legislation.
- Protect public health through advocacy efforts that defend and strengthen the Biden-Harris administration's proposed and finalized rules to reduce air pollution, curb toxic emissions from power plants, eliminate lead in drinking water, and reduce exposure to dangerous PFAS and other chemicals.
- Advance strong environmental health policies by educating and engaging the public, the media, and decision-makers on the need to address legacy pollution and move away from fossil fuels.
- Make access to nature more equitable by building stronger coalitions with Tribes, Tribal-serving entities, and people of color-led organizations.



Chuckwalla, California Photo by Bob Wick



Dolores Canyons, Colorado Photo by Rig to Flip



Owyhee Canyonlands, Oregon Photo by Mark Darnell

### CLIMATE & DEMOCRACY CHAMPIONS



In 2024, LCV VICTORY FUND WILL WORK TO:

- Reelect President Biden and Vice President Harris by engaging with and turning out voters who care most about climate, environmental justice, and democracy in battleground states.
- Regain pro-environment, pro-democracy leadership in the U.S. House by working to unseat anti-environment members of Congress in districts where President Biden won in 2020, and reelect climate and democracy champion incumbents, especially in swing districts.
- Protect pro-climate, pro-democracy U.S. Senate leadership by working to reelect champions in priority states, including Montana and Ohio, and elect new champions to open seats in Arizona and Michigan.

IN 2024, LCV VICTORY FUND WILL SUPPORT OUR STATE AFFILIATES' AND PARTNERS' EFFORTS TO:

- Elect or reelect pro-environment, pro-democracy governors in Delaware, North Carolina, and Washington.
- Secure pro-environment, pro-democracy state legislative majorities by protecting and expanding majorities in Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, and Pennsylvania; picking up new majorities in Arizona and New Hampshire; and picking up or protecting supermajorities in Colorado and Nevada.
- Prevent or reverse anti-environment, anti-democracy state legislative supermajorities in Montana, Nebraska, North Carolina, and Wisconsin.
- Elect pro-environment candidates in other state and local races with high stakes for our environment, including contests for seats on public utility commissions in Arizona, Georgia, Montana, Nebraska, and South Carolina.





Our Earth Is Worth Fighting For

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