



## LWVNJ Immigration Survey, May, 2010. PART I

The LWVNJ Immigration Committee is compiling several fact sheets regarding issues confronting immigrants in our state and confronting New Jersey's Leagues as we deal with these issues. We need your help in identifying the issues that are most important locally and throughout New Jersey (Part I), and also in sorting out facts from myths and anecdotes (Part II).

As we said in the cover letter/email, you should be able to complete Part I of the survey fairly quickly. (The LWVUS positions address all or most of these issues.) Please return Part I to the state office (204 West State Street, Trenton NJ 08608; fax: 609-599-3993) by June 3. Please take a look at Part II before sending in Part I, however, and complete the let us know at the end of Part I when you think you will be able to complete Part II.

**League: LWV of \_\_\_\_\_ Primary community/ies and/or county/ies about which you are answering? \_\_\_\_\_**  
(As noted in the cover letter, we would welcome your help on additional communities such as those adjacent to your League's area if you are familiar with it and it is not covered by another local League.)

**Person/s filling out this survey \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number and/or email if we have questions: \_\_\_\_\_**

**1. Please answer "Yes" or "No":**

- a) Did your League participate in the 2007 national consensus on immigration? \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Did your League participate in the 2009 state consensus concerning instate tuition? \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Is immigration an issue your League is following? \_\_\_\_\_
- d) Do you have an active immigration committee? \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Please list the most important changes your League sees as resulting from the presence of recent immigrants in your community, and whether they are generally positive or negative:**

- a)
- b)
- c)
- d)

**Please tell us at least roughly how you are defining "recent immigrants."**

3. Please rate the following issues both on importance to different groups and on importance of your need for different types of information. Please rate each from “1” for not important up to “5” for very important. Just enter “DK” if don’t know.

Issue	IMPORTANCE OF ISSUE TO:			IMPORTANCE OF INFORMATION NEEDS ON ISSUE:		
	Local immigrant community	Local LWV members	General community	Fact sheet	Speaker	Other types of information (please specify)
a. <b>Comprehensive Immigration Reform overall</b> (CIR includes the next four issues)						
1) Border security.						
2) Balancing family reunification and workforce needs in allotting visas. Securing fair allotments in the future.						
3) Allocation of visas and programs surrounding temporary workers (e.g., “guest,” seasonal, or migrant workers).						
4) Path to citizenship or permanent residence for unauthorized immigrants already in this country who want to stay legally						
b. <b>Hiring sites and immigration-employment issues</b>						
c. <b>Law enforcement issues surrounding immigration</b>						
d. <b>Language issues</b>						
e. <b>Health &amp; housing of immigrants</b>						

Please feel free to rate other issues which you consider important, here or on the back.

Please take a look at Part II now if you have not already done so: Do you expect that you or other members of your League will be taking the time to complete it? Y/N If yes, when do you think you will most likely be able to return it to us? \_\_\_\_\_