

*"The most important political office is that of the private citizen." Justice Louis Brandeis*

**Civics for Adults [and Others!] -  
WORKSHOPS to Enhance Civic Knowledge & Inspire Political Engagement  
In-person or virtual option.**

## Misinformation, Fake News and Political Propaganda

- ◆ Mainstream press and "fake news"
- ◆ Social Media posts
- ◆ Email clickbait
- ◆ Propaganda
- ◆ Language / terminology
- ◆ Deepfakes
- ◆ Survey / poll questions
- ◆ Economic data
- ◆ Graphs and charts
- ◆ Finding good information



*"Well organized, excellent information!"*

*"Loved it...well-rounded, wide array of examples!"*

## Citizen Activism 101—Making Change Happen

- ◆ Historical perspective
- ◆ Examples of successful advocacy
- ◆ Types of advocacy
- ◆ Who makes the rules?
- ◆ Tools / strategies for change
- ◆ Engaging with government / lobbying for influence
- ◆ Tracking civic / political legislation



*"ACTIONABLE!"*

*"Great presenter...should be a day conference!"*

## Beyond Voting: Elections and Campaign Financing

- ◆ Right to vote?
- ◆ Voter suppression
- ◆ Election 2020 / 2022 issues
- ◆ Redistricting / gerrymandering
- ◆ New / potential election practices
- ◆ Campaign financing issues and tracking

*"Very good, solid information – This is what all Americans need to know."*

*"I consider myself a well-informed citizen but I learned a great deal of new information"*

## The Constitution: Fulfilling Democracy's Promise? Democracy, the Constitution and Representation in Congress

We'll look at the Constitution's creation, trace major changes to its interpretation, and examine its current structural limitations.

- ◆ Status of democracy
- ◆ Forming a country
- ◆ Bill of Rights
- ◆ Interpreting the Constitution
- ◆ Structural issues / representation
- ◆ Changes needed?

*"Every citizen should take this serious look at our Constitution."*

*"Good level of history and contemporary political ideas"*

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