

Civics for Adults

To enhance civic knowledge & inspire political engagement

Misinformation and Propaganda—Detecting Truth from Lies

- ◆ 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
- ◆ Having your voice be heard
- ◆ Tracking legislation
- ◆ Submitting testimony [aka your opinion]



“ACTIONABLE!”
“Great presenter...should be a day conference!”

Beyond Voting: Elections and Campaign Financing

- ◆ Right to vote?
- ◆ Voter suppression / election subversion
- ◆ Election 2024 issues
- ◆ Redistricting / gerrymandering
- ◆ Alternative voting systems
- ◆ Campaign financing / contribution 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. In so doing, we will shatter some myths!

- ◆ Current status of democracy
- ◆ Forming a country
- ◆ Bill of Rights
- ◆ Interpreting the Constitution
- ◆ Current issues of 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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“The most important political office is that of the private citizen.” Justice Louis Brandeis