PRESS ADVISORY: LEAGUE TO HOLD METRO “FUND IT/FIX IT” FORUM ON OCT. 7

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Washington, DC – The League of Women Voters of the National Capital Area (LWVNCA) and the Coalition for Smarter Growth (CSG) will hold a free forum for the public to learn about funding and fixing our Washington D.C. area Metro system. “We hope the public will come to this forum and hear our call to action to secure dedicated, sustainable funding for this vital economic public resource,” said Kathy McGuire, LWNCA president. She went on to say, “The future of our region depends on Metro.” “Without Metro, our region’s roadways will melt down under the onslaught of traffic, people won’t be able to get to work, and people and companies won’t locate here. And without focused civic activism, elected officials won’t act quickly enough to reach agreement on funding Metro,” said Stewart Schwartz, Executive Director of the Coalition for Smarter Growth.

Metro – Fund It/Fix It – A Call to Action
Saturday, October 7, 9:30am – 2:00pm
National Rural Electric Cooperative Association
4301 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22203

The event is free of charge.

Please register at: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/metro-fund-it-fix-it-a-call-to-action-tickets-36901682927]

Lunch will be available for purchase ($10), but a request for lunch must be made at the time of registration.

LWVNCA and CSG are working with an 18-organization (and growing) coalition of non-profit groups committed to educating the public about the urgency of “fixing” the Metro system and have pledged to focus their collective grassroots efforts to win broad public support for imperative regional action to fund and fix Metro.

At this event, attendees will:
• Hear from regional transportation experts and concerned citizens;
• Learn and strategize about how to fund and fix metro, so it becomes the safe, efficient, and reliable transportation system that this region depends upon; and
• Find out how advocates can be part of the solution.

ABOUT THE SPONSORS

The League of Women Voters of the National Capital Area is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation of citizens in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy
issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. The League of Women Voters never supports or opposes candidates for office, or political parties. Membership in the League of Women Voters is open to anyone -- men and women -- age 16 and older.  

The Coalition for Smarter Growth is the leading organization in the Washington DC region dedicated to making the case for smart growth. Their mission is to promote walkable, inclusive, and transit-oriented communities, and the land use and transportation policies and investments needed to make those communities flourish.

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